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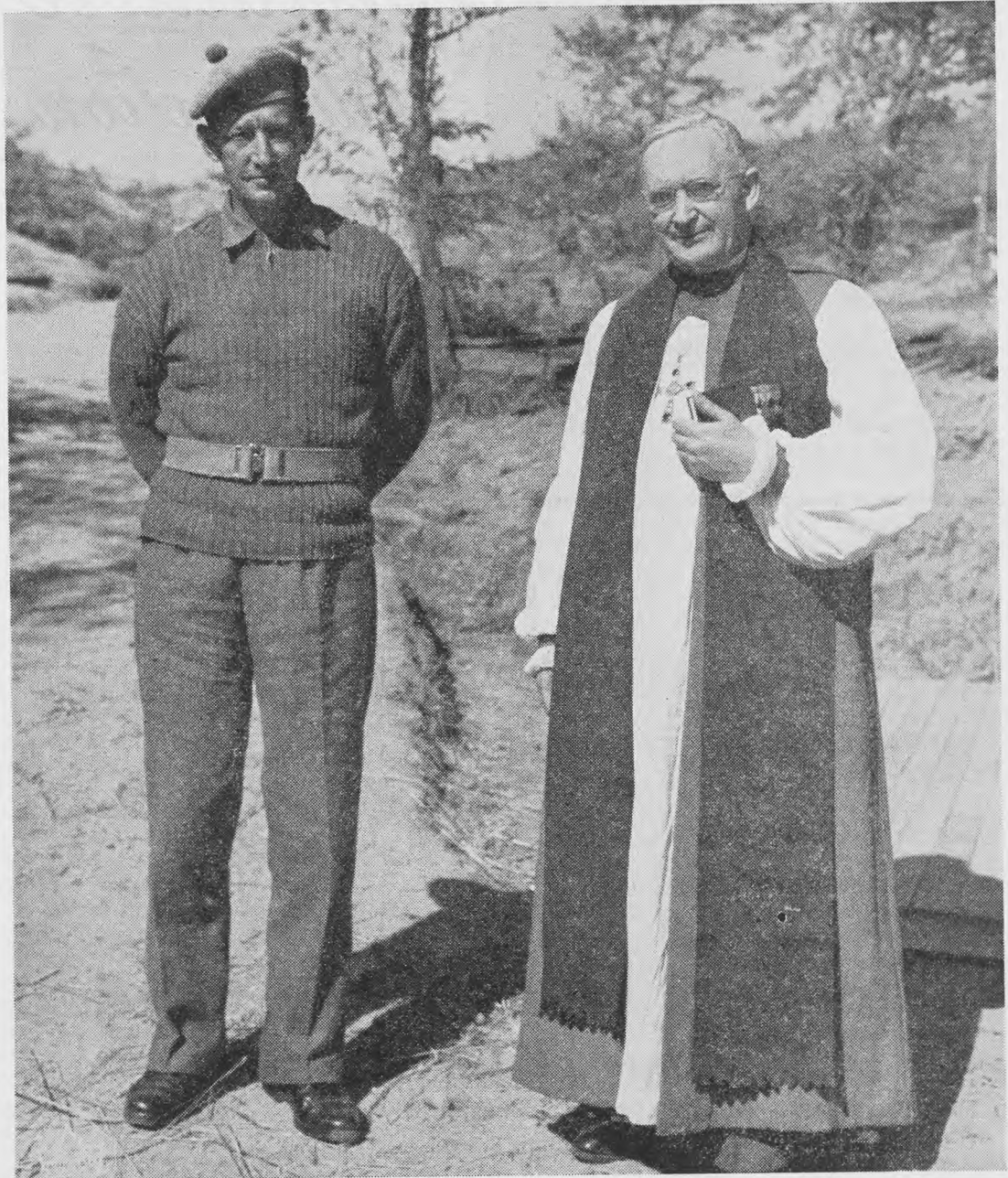
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THE ARCHBISHOP'S PAGE

My Dear People:

It is quite impossible for me to report to you in full the events of the past few months. Last month I gave you a glimpse of Korea and of our Brigade which is fighting there. In another place this month I have continued by giving a kind of general diary of my trip to the Far East.

Immediately following my return to Canada—stopping off in Edmonton for twenty-four hours—I went to Montreal and Toronto for four important meetings—the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Council of Churches, the Annual Meeting of the Fellowship of the West, a reception given me by the Bishop of Montreal and a great banquet. As you know, I am a Vice-President of the C.C.C. and now I have been appointed Honorary President of the Fellowship of the West, and am an alumnus of Wycliffe College. A word here about these events.

The Canadian Council of Churches carries on in Canada the spirit and intention of the Ecumenical Movement. It is therefore the organization which seeks to foster, by study and conference, better understanding of the differences between the various communions. The Roman Catholic Church takes no part in the Council, but the door is always open. The Council also explores all possible ways of co-operation between the Churches. One of the most significant efforts is that of joint services of worship and intercession during the **Week of Prayer**, which is held each year in January. This year the dates are January 6th to 16th. The widespread observance of this week in every communion will strengthen our Christian witness and give us the divine help we need to carry on in these difficult days.

The Fellowship of the West is an organization of Montreal Laity of our Church who have banded themselves together for the purpose of sending and supplying missionary clergy in Western Canada, chiefly in the Diocese of Athabasca and in the Peace River block in the Diocese of Caledonia. It is in my view one of the most important special pieces of work being carried on in our Canadian Church. It sends men and the money to support them. By this means a strong sense of fellowship is maintained between the Church People of Montreal, the men in the field and the dioceses in which they work. One of the problems to be solved in our Canadian Church is that of the vast distance which separates us from our brethren in the east. This Montreal Fellowship of the West has triumphed over this vast distance. It is my hope that a plan which is now in process by which the Bishop of Montreal will visit his men in the field this year will be realized.

The Bishop of Montreal very kindly arranged a reception for me at which I was able to meet

most of his clergy and their wives. It was quite informal and a very happy occasion for me. Hitherto I have been almost entirely unknown to the Montreal clergy because my work had always been here in the West. This note is intended publicly to acknowledge my gratitude to the Bishop for his consideration and thoughtfulness.

On Monday evening, November 19th, I was the guest of honour at a magnificent banquet in the Great Hall of Hart House given by Wycliffe College, my Alma Mater. It was an occasion, the whole circumstances of which will never fade from my memory. I am not so conceited as to think that the high honour was done to me personally, but to the office which, under God, I hold. At the table I was the proud and happy guest of the College to which I owe more than I can express or repay. There were assembled a great company, reflecting by their learning, their civil, political, social, literary and ecclesiastical eminence, the best that Canada affords—the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, the Minister of Education (presiding), the President of the University of Toronto and heads of the colleges federated with it, and other leaders of Church and State. In addition there was the goodly company of my Wycliffe friends—both old and new.

The Bishop of Toronto spoke in welcoming me, and Bishop Hallam made the speech of the evening in his usual brilliant style. The flattering English employed by the latter and the warmth with which it was received by the whole company, I must confess, moved me deeply. Bishop Hallam taught me as a freshman student and ever since has been a loyal friend. It is not too much to say that to him I owe more than to any other single person. When he invited me to become a member of his staff at Emmanuel College in 1926 the course of my whole ministry was set in paths quite different from any that I could have imagined as possible or likely. In sober truth I can never lose sight of the abyss which separates the ideal from the actual—the things I have sought and tried to do from what I have accomplished. But I am gloriously aware that in my unimportant person Doctor Hallam and the whole company honoured with a characteristic loyalty and large-heartedness the office of Primate. For the rest I am happy in the thought of their warm friendship.

At the end of his speech the Bishop presented me with a costly gift from my Wycliffe friends—a Primatial Ring of exquisite colour and fine craftsmanship, having the Coat of Arms of the Church of England engraved on the stone. It will always remind me of an event without parallel in my life, except it be the great service of Installation in the Cathedral in Victoria.

May the New Year bring to all of you many rich blessings.

Yours sincerely and gratefully,

Walter Edmonlin

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Editorial

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With this number the Edmonton Churchman enters its eighth year of publication. The magazine has proved its worth in many ways. It is accepted and recognized as a useful means of communication throughout the diocese, and keeps us all in touch with one another.

The Editor acknowledges with deep gratitude the co-operation and support of all contributors, correspondents and parish officers. But I must take this opportunity to remind you that prompt payment of subscriptions is essential if the Churchman is to be able to carry on without recurring deficits. Please pay all outstanding accounts at an early date.

In the course of 1952 it is hoped we will find someone with the ability, the will and the leisure to undertake the responsible task of Editor, to replace Canon W. M. Nainby.

Archbishop's Engagements

The Archbishop has supplied the following list of engagements, so far arranged, covering the next few months. It will be noted that there are still a few Sundays free for Diocesan Visitations:

January

- 6 Wainwright and Edgerton.
- 8 Saskatoon.
- 9 To Toronto, returning January 15.
- 20 St. Faith's, 11 a.m.
- 27 Camrose, Bittern Lake, etc.
- 28 Rotary Club—Camrose.

February

- 3 Foothills, Cadomin, etc.
- 6 St. John's, Edmonton.
- 13 To Toronto for Quarterly Meetings.
- 17 Church of the Redeemer, Toronto, 11 a.m.
- 17 St. James' Church, Stratford, 7 p.m.
- 19 Address Students at Wycliffe College.
- 22 Visit Collingwood, Ont.
- 26 Return to Edmonton.

March

- 6 Winfield, etc.
- 9
- 16 Manville.
- 23 Vermilion.
- 30 St. Mark's, Edmonton.
- 31 All Saints' Cathedral, Edmonton.

April

- 6 Jasper.
- 13
- 20
- 27 Edgerton.
- 30 To Toronto.

May

- 4 All Saints' Church, Peterborough, Ont.
- 11 Priests Ordination, Christ Church, Deer Park, Toronto.
- 15 Return to Edmonton.
- 18 Viking, 11 a.m.
- Rodino, 2:30 p.m.
- Tofield, 7:30 p.m.
- 19 Lindbrooke.
- 22 St. Faith's.
- 22 Ordination of Deacons.
- 25 St. Mary's, Edmonton.
- St. John's, Edmonton.

June

- 1 Christ Church, Edmonton, 11 a.m.
- St. Luke's Church, Edmonton, 7:30 p.m.
- 8 Ordination, All Saints' Cathedral, Edmonton, 11 a.m.
- Holy Trinity, Edmonton, 7:30 p.m.
- Meeting—Banff, Alberta.
- 11 Edson.
- 22
- 29



DIOCESAN NEWS



The Archbishop Received New Year's Day

Throughout the years of the war the traditional Bishop's Reception was discontinued. For various reasons it was not resumed until this year. The Archbishop received the men of the community in All Saints' Parish Hall from 3:50 to 5:30. The Dean of Edmonton and the Chancellor, Mr. Justice Frank Ford, received with His Grace.

St. James'

The Church Hall for the Parish of St. James was used for public worship the first time on Christmas Eve. There is much work still to be done. The men of the parish, now that the furnace and lights have been installed, will be able to carry on the work of finishing the interior. The Reverend J. G. Gardiner, of St. Faith's Mission, Edson, is in charge of the parish this winter.

St. George's—Ft. Saskatchewan

The new church at Fort Saskatchewan was dedicated by the Archbishop on Sunday evening, December 2nd. The large congregation was representative of Bon Accord and Gibbons as well as of the whole Fort Saskatchewan community. The sermon was preached by the Reverend W. W. Buxton, Rector of St. Peter's, Edmonton. Mr. Taylor and his choir from St. Peter's led the praises of the people beautifully. The minister of the United Church and the Reverend Emmanuel Heuer, Secretary of the Bible Society, attended the service. In the hall, after the service, refreshments were served and words of greeting and congratulation spoken.

The 10% Extra Apportionment For 1951 Gap

The Synod Office has received and forwarded to Toronto overpayments from over thirty congregations in the Diocese for the M.S.C.C. deficit of 1951. The sum sent was \$775.59. This is about half what is expected from us.

It is confidently hoped that the Diocese will more than fulfill this expectation.

1952 Ordinations

You will recall that last year at Whitsuntide the Bishop made an appeal for a special fund to enable him to receive and to place in their work an unusual number of ordinands. It was then agreed that the appeal would be divided into three parts. The diocese responded well to the first year's request and before long the second installment will be due. By way of preparation we set out here the situation which we shall face in the spring of 1952. The general picture has improved. More men will be available than we anticipated last year. Parishes long without a regular ministry, or which have received only a partial ministry, will have resident priests. For example, Westlock and Clyde will be separated from Barrhead, allowing the Reverend D. V. A. Browne to undertake a more concentrated ministry in the Barrhead area, and a new priest will live at Westlock. Marwayne, Kitscoty and Blackfoot will be joined together as a parish in order to establish a more complete ministry in that area. At the moment Kitscoty and Blackfoot receive their ministration from Lloydminster through the kind offices of the Reverend W. H. Peckover. Hardisty with Hughenden will have a resident clergyman, which has not been possible for ten years past. The Special Ordinands Fund will be needed to give the necessary financial assistance to these parishes until they reach a greater measure of self-support.

It is not possible at this date for the Archbishop to make definite appointments in all these cases, but a list of those who will be ordained in the spring shows that the men are available if the money is forthcoming. The list is given herewith.

JANUARY BROADCASTING

January

6—All Saints' Cathedral	CJCA
13—St. Faith's	CFRN
20—Christ Church	CJCA

ANGLICAN SUNDAY SCHOOL OF THE AIR

Every Sunday, 10:45 a.m.CFRN

To Be Ordained Priests

The Reverend Alan G. Hooper.
The Reverend Harold McDonald.
The Reverend Kells A. Minchin.
The Reverend Reginald E. Allcock.
The Reverend Jack G. Gibbons.
The Reverend Raymond T. Clennett.
The Reverend Russell Sayer.
The Reverend David Woeller.
The Reverend John Moorhouse.
The Reverend Guy Dowding.

To Be Ordained Deacons

Mr. David Jones.
Mr. Roger Burden.
Mr. D. Belway.

Divinity Students for Mission Work

Mr. J. Beairsto.
Mr. Buchanan.

Ordination

On St. Thomas' Day, December 21st, the Archbishop ordained the Reverend Charles Thomas Stanger to the Priesthood in the Chapel at the Old Mission House. Mr. Stanger is Principal of the Indian Residential School at Carcross in the diocese of Yukon. The Archbishop acted for the Metropolitan of British Columbia, who was unable to do so through illness.

The Reverend L. M. Watts preached the sermon, Archdeacon Clough presented Mr. Stanger and most of the city clergy joined with the Archbishop in the ordination.

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Korea and Japan---A Diary

This record will be far from complete, but I owe it to my people throughout the diocese to account for most of my time covering a period from October 19th to November 28th. On my page this month I have touched upon the highlights of the last fifteen days of that time, spent in Montreal and Toronto.

At the invitation of the Minister of Defence and at the expense of his department (so you have all had a share in it) I went to Japan and Korea to visit the 25th Brigade and our Missions in Japan. It was a memorable journey, providing as it did unparalleled opportunities of service, valuable experiences of other lands and other peoples, first hand acquaintance with our army in the field and our missionaries at their posts. I will try to give a faithful account, together with my impressions, of all that I saw and experienced.

You will perhaps be interested to know that I was called out in the rank of Colonel and while on duty with the army wore the uniform. It came with something of a surprise to discover that the Quartermaster could, at very short notice, provide me with battle dress that had to be "taken in" to fit. Evidently they still expect to enlist men of "weight" in the army.

My journey proper began from Vancouver following the week-end of October 21st. On that morning I was privileged to be present and to have a share in the great service attended by their Royal Highnesses, the Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, in Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver, Before the service we were presented. It was truly a great service of worship—great music, a notable sermon by the Dean, a vast congregation and above all an air of devotion seldom realized on such public occasions.

That evening, in company with the Moderators of the Presbyterian, the United Church of Canada and three Directors of the Chaplains Services, Colonel Stone, Army; Chaplain E. Foote, Navy, and Group Captain Frayne, Airforce, we took to the air in a regular Canadian Pacific Airlines plane for Tokyo. I never cease to marvel at the comfort, convenience and speed of modern air travel. The C.P.A. service

to the Far East leaves nothing to be desired in these respects.

The journey to Tokyo took about 24 hours flying time, with about one hour stops at Anchorage, Alaska, and at Shemya (one of the Aleutian Islands). We arrived at the airport of Tokyo in the evening and were met by officers of the Canadian Military Mission to Japan, who took control, piloting us without delay through the immigration and customs to cars in which we were taken to our hotel, the Maranouchi. Motor car travel in Japan is a nerve wrecking business. The driver is compelled to weave a path in and out amongst a veritable maze of cars and pedestrians. Doubtless to the initiated there is some orderly procedure, but to me it seemed completely chaotic. However, we were always conveyed without mishap to ourselves and, as far as I know, to others.

The hotel where we lodged for three nights (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 25th - 27th) is a fully modern building operated by B.C.O.F. (British Commonwealth Occupation Forces) which in effect means the Australians. My own accommodation consisted of a small sitting room, bedroom and bathroom, and was in every respect satisfactory by Canadian standards. The meals in the dining room were excellent. The other guests in the hotel were all officers of the Commonwealth Forces, or distinguished civilians on some official mission or other.

On Thursday we were entertained at lunch by the American Padres, who are stationed in the vicinity of Tokyo. It was a gracious gesture. There I met Bishop Muras, an old college friend of the immediate post-war years 1919-20. At the moment he is parish priest in Tokyo and conducts newspaper evangelism.

On Friday we were entertained at luncheon at the Canadian Legation by Mr. and Mrs. Menzies, the civilian head of our Japanese Liason Mission. As a Canadian citizen I felt genuinely proud of the Legation, both the building and the grounds, but above all of our representative and his charming wife. They were at great pains to show us every courtesy and to give us, out of their long experience, most valuable

information about the people, the customs, the culture and the religion of Japan.

Tokyo is really a western city. Great steel and concrete buildings abound and on every hand others are in process of construction. The department stores are ultra-modern and carry an amazing variety of goods for sale. These stores resembled our best at Christmas time. Throngs of United Nations troops were doing their Christmas shopping. Silks and brocades, cameras, fishing rods, watches, toys (the most ingenious I've ever seen) and handbags were lavishly and fascinatingly displayed and in great demand. In the shops one has the impression of courtesy, helpfulness, industry, efficiency on the part of the whole staff. I did not see a single bored, languid, indifferent, casual or rude assistant. It was a great relief and a genuine pleasure to shop. But unfortunately we had but little time to explore all the possibilities.

To Korea next month.

REPARATION

*For the hurts that we have done
We, in sorrow, through Thy Son
Ask the pardon He has won
For us, Lord.*

*When, dear Lord, we hear Thy Name
Spoken in impious shame
Take our love which is aflame
For Thee, Lord.*

*Let us make amends each day
For the folks who never pray
By more zeal in what we say
To Thee, Lord.*

*Making up for those whose praise
Is forgotten through the days
Hymns of thanks to Thee we'll raise:
Hear them, Lord.*

*In the darkness of the night
When our love for Thee is bright
Blotting out deeds hid from sight
Take it, Lord.*

*In humility we'll share
In Thy Church to help repair
Hurts by those who do not care
For Thee, Lord.*

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Two strangers got into conversation in a railway carriage. "Do you believe in the survival of the fittest?" asked one. "Indeed not" replied the other, "I don't believe in the survival of anybody; I'm an Undertaker."



Woman's Auxiliary



Prayer For Peace

"Our Father in Heaven, we pray Thee to send into our hearts and into the hearts of all men everywhere the Spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."

Board Meeting

The first Board Meeting in 1952 is planned for February 1st.

Day of Prayer

Day of Prayer will be held, as usual, on the afternoon of the first Friday in Lent from 3 to 4 o'clock. It is not too early to plan at the first meetings in January for this service. If there is no such service in your town, would it not be possible for your Branch to enlist the help of the women of the other churches and prepare to have a Day of Prayer service? Copy of the programme will appear in the January Living Message. If you need more copies, it would be advisable to notify Mrs. L. D. Moore, 10908 108th Street, in time for her to procure these for you.

The Treasurer

The treasurer reports that W.A. badges (silver) with safety clasps may be obtained by paying an extra 25c. On December the twelfth the Executive entertained the Primate and Mrs. Barfoot at a luncheon at the Corona Hotel, after which His Grace gave the members a most inspiring account of all our missionaries in Japan and of the work being done by them in the various centres in which they live and work. Certainly it is the duty of all W.A. members to learn of these men and women by name and to pray constantly for them.

Do You Know?

—That Reverend D. N. Peel and his wife expect to sail for India early in 1952 to join the staff of the new diocese in the Punjab under Bishop Wilkinson.

—That there are 200 boys enrolled at the Bishop's school, Amman, Jordan, Palestine.

—That there are three leper homes in the new diocese-to-be (Punjab) at Tarn Taran, Subather, and Palampur.

—That there is a Theological College in Brazil which is part of the Episcopal Church of the United States.

—That the new Social Service Centre for the Blind at Gifu, where Miss Jessie Miller carries on her work, is ready for use.

—That the recently opened New Life Sanatorium at Obuse, Japan, needs donations of money for equipment.

—That there are 2,914 Moslim students in the United States.

—That the 40-year-old "Columbia" has to be replaced. (\$60,000 are needed).

—That the Reverend Rollo Boas hopes to be able to repeat the experiment of holding summer vacation schools at such places as Jervis Inlet, Lasquete Island, Sechelt Inlet and Pender Harbour.

Each One Teach One

The Bishop of the Punjab writes: "In the Punjab villages we are endeavouring to give a fresh impetus to adult literacy work. A large number of our Christians is illiterate, and we cannot have a strong church until we have a Bible reading church. Recently at a summer school for Catechists, we had a demonstrator present who instructed our Catechists in the new method of teaching adult illiterate people. We have a supply of charts and pamphlets with which they can begin their work. It is amazing how an ordinary villager, after a few months of application and study, can learn how to write simple things by the Laubach method, and can go on to read the Gospel. They take great pride in their accomplishments, and it is a joy to see their progress and to listen to them as they read the word of God themselves, and begin to understand more of the truth as revealed in Christ.

"There are many thousands of villagers to be instructed and there are very few workers to meet the challenge of this opportunity. But a good beginning is being made and we are endeavouring to enlist voluntary service of educated people in isolated places, who can make their contribution to this great cause by teaching small groups of people in their spare time. In a few places, we have been able

to supply part-time workers from the special gifts which we have received, and I am sure you will feel gratified to know that, through your gifts, you are sharing in the great task of bringing something of the light of learning and the truth of the Gospel to those who sit in darkness."

From the Bishop's Circular Letter To Our Diocesan Board.

From Peter Fleming, "Brazilian Adventure":

"It is curious now to recall that when, on the next day, we failed to leave Sao Paulo I was surprised as well as annoyed. I never, as a matter of fact, got really broken into Brazil. Procrastination on principle—procrastination for procrastination's sake—I learned quickly to expect. I learned the necessity of resignation, the value of resignation, the psychology of resignation, everything except resignation itself. To the very end, I went on struggling very unhappily; to the very end against my better judgment, knowing it to be futile, I continued to cajole, insult, threaten, and bribe the dilatory, with a view to reducing delay. It was never any good.

"Delay in Brazil is a climate. You live in it. You cannot get away from it. There is nothing to be done about it. It should, I think, be a source of pride to Brazilians that they possess a national characteristic which is absolutely impossible to ignore. No other people can make this boast. The English are a race of shop-keepers but it is possible to live in England without being seriously inconvenienced by the process of barter which rages round you. A tendency on the part of the traveller to melancholy or extravagance need not be curbed among the gay and thrifty French. Self-revelation may be practised among the inscrutable Chinese, and generosity among the Scots. You don't have to be a bigamist to go to Turkey; and a coward can find contentment in plucky little Belgium. But a man in a hurry will be miserable in Brazil."

Shall we start "Looking South" in the Epiphany and Lenten seasons?

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

By the Rev. J. G. Gardiner

HOLY COMMUNION—PART II (Development of the Rite)

In the last article it was asserted that true worship is an action performed by everyone who worships. It is not something we think of or say or meditate on (though all these functions are involved) it is what we do in obedience to our Lord's command. Worship is an offering of ourselves, all we are and all we do to God that He may bless us, that He may break us (break the power of sin and self-will in us) in order that we may receive back our life filled and empowered by His life. Now in worship this is done under the symbols of a meal. Bread and wine taken and offered at God's table, are the symbols of ourselves which we bring to church and offer to Him. They are taken, blessed and broken that we may receive the symbols back again, charged with the power and life of God.

Thus Christian worship is the common, social communal act of all worshippers present. The priest is not doing something for us. We are all sacrificing ourselves, our soul's and bodies as a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice to God, that we may go back into the world as His instruments for loving service. In this way Christian worship differs from the worship of most other religions. In them, worship is an individual affair, which the worshipper can perform alone if he likes. But Christian worship requires at least two worshippers for the performance of its rite. It is something public which they all do together and from which they all benefit together. It is carried out in the atmosphere of love and charity—love to God and love amongst the worshippers themselves. They are the Christian family, the household of believers, gathered in their Father's house, to communicate with their common Father.

Now this idea of worship as action may be new to us. The early Christians had a clear idea that they were doing something for and with God and each other, when they gathered for the only worship they knew—the Holy Eucharist or Communion, or Mass, or Lord's Supper. Everyone had their function to perform. Each person brought their own symbols of bread and wine. While the

persecutions lasted, and before it was safe for Christians to have buildings of their own, they would meet in one another's homes. The bishop was the normal celebrant. Later when there were more Christian congregations than there were bishops, the bishop delegated his functions at the Eucharist to one of his priests, to preside at and conduct the Eucharist for him. At the Offertory, all the members of the congregation went up to the altar to have their gifts or oblations presented to the bishop or priest to be blessed, broken and restored to them in communion as the Body and Blood of their Saviour to be received to their soul's health. The service was short and direct; centering around the seven simple actions. In the course of time the service was lengthened, by a preparation consisting of readings from the holy scriptures. But we must remember that the church had its worship before a line of the New Testament was written. The Holy Gospel was read as the word of the Lord speaking directly to those who believed on Him.

At a much later date the Gloria was used to be sung as a hymn of praise at the beginning of the service. The Creed was added to remind people of the faith they had embraced at Baptism. Non-Christians were allowed to attend this part of the service, but before the Offertory they were ordered to leave. The Offertory could be performed only by those who were members by baptism. Only the repenters, the believers, the obeyers could be present to do the worship of the church.

As time went on and the church spread, the worship gradually became something which appeared to be done for the people by the clergy. Or it was said for them. The congregation was left with little part in the doing of the worship. They were encouraged to listen. By the Middle Ages the congregation could not hear even what was being said and in some cases could not see what was being done at the altar. Hence little manuals of devotion were provided so that people could meditate while the service was carried out. Communions became rare, except at Easter, the rest of the time people contented themselves with "attending

Mass." And so abuses arose. Worship came to be thought of, not as something done, but as something said or read.

It is curious and regrettable that all the Reformations, the reformers thought of worship as something said or read, to which the congregation was expected to sit and listen. Worship became even less something done by the congregation, and more and more became something they thought about and listened to. Instead of being objective and active, it became subjective and passive. Instead of the clergy submitting their personality in the objective direction of a rite of worship, they asserted themselves in the subjective offering of a sermon. Worship came to depend on whether or not the priest or minister was a good preacher. If a man preached well, then he was truly called of God. If he did not, then he had mistaken his calling. The Reformation encouraged the development in public worship of an emotional and subjective emphasis; the isolated communion of the individual soul with God, and preoccupation with personal salvation. The function of the congregation was no longer to offer themselves in an action of worship, rather it became a function of sitting and listening to a prepared discourse.

Today, unhappily, that is what most congregations expect to do. The emphasis on coming to church is not to sacrifice ourselves in an action of worship which was our Lord's command, (the which we perform as our bounden duty and service to God to help us to conquer sin and live unto righteousness) but rather to come and listen to someone exhort or inform us, in an interesting or a dull way. Thus when people think they are worshipping they are doing nothing of the sort, and those who come to hear the sermon could do it just as well in an auditorium or a lecture hall. Worship is action, the offering of our souls and bodies as a reasonable holy and living sacrifice as our bounden duty and service to God. All the edification and illumination in the world to our hearts and minds, will be not one iota of help, unless our wills are moved to do something for God.

Thus the Holy Communion, or to us, the more primitive term the Holy Eucharist, is an action of worship in sacrifice and the only worship commanded by our Lord by which to remember or recall Him.

THE GOLDEN JUBILEE COMMITTEE ANGLICAN YOUNG PEOPLES' ASSOCIATION FORMED

Plans to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Anglican Young Peoples' Association across Canada are being made by various diocesan committees. The jubilee committee established by the Edmonton Diocesan Council consists of: Chairman, Mr. Adrian Greenwood, Mr. Peter Cuff and Misses Pearl Watson, Evelyn Crozier and Lola Garraway.

The week of May 10th to May 18th, 1952, has been set aside in Canada for a variety of functions to be celebrated in all Anglican churches to commemorate the foundation of the A.Y.P.A. in 1902—St. James Parish, London, Ont., by Canon Alfred Brown.

The committee urges all Anglicans in the Edmonton diocese, who have, at any time been associates of the A.Y.P.A., to send names and addresses immediately to Miss Evelyn Crozier, 8825 93 Street, or Peter Cuff, 11210 65 Street.

A banquet will be held on May 16th, Friday, in the city, during the jubilee celebrations to which several hundred members, past and present, will be asked to attend. A national corporate communion will be celebrated in All Saints' Cathedral—also to be attended by all associates of the A.Y.P.A. in the diocese.

A golden jubilee fund has now been established in our diocese to assist in the work of the Dominion Council of A.Y.P.A. All donations should be mailed direct to "Golden Jubilee Fund" Treasurer, c/o Miss Pearl Watson, 9744 104th Street, Edmonton. Receipts will be issued. A golden jubilee booklet now in circulation which covers fifty years of A.Y.P.A. history from coast to coast, will be given to each person who donates \$5.00 or more to the Jubilee Fund.

The success of the jubilee celebrations will depend on the co-operation given to the committee who are trying to contact all former members of their association.

A man, who was very fond of herrings, but hated the bones, decided to try a new variety of fish without bones. To this end he crossed a herring with a jellyfish. The result was a jellyfish with bones.

ST. AIDAN'S HOUSE

On Dec. 1st the House was officially opened with a tea given by the Canterbury Club for the Archbishop and Mrs. Mrs. Barfoot. A large number of students, members of the University staff, and friends of the House attended, and were shown recent improvements made in the House. Chief among these is the new chapel in the basement. The basement was altered to provide for a chapel, vestry, and common room for women students. Mrs. Lewis Thomas is responsible for the design and decoration of the chapel. The altar was executed in birch, with a lovely red dossal curtain covering the entire east wall. A grey broadloom rug covers the floor. It makes a very fitting place of worship, and we thank a generous benefactor for making it available to us. The work was done by Mr. Lindburg, who gave unsparingly of his time that it might be finished by Dec. 1st. The resident students of the house did the necessary painting in several bees.

There was a large attendance of Canterbury Club members at the monthly corporate communion held at Christ Church. Canon Ottley addressed the Club. On Dec. 9th a fireside was held at the House, when there was a program of movies and a sing-song. We hope in time that the House will be used more and more for these kind of activities. There are several events projected for the New Year.

in his own hand has every intention of prolonging the visit for a further half hour.

It seems regrettable that this tendency has crept into many of our church services. While everyone would admit that it is not seemly to rush discourteously from the presence of God it must also be said that it is no more seemly to prolong the business of departure as it is so often done. Any service ends with the blessing. To this we have added a so-called "recessional" hymn, presumably because of the choir's alleged inability to march down the aisle in silence. More recently, at Evensong, there has been added a "vesper" as if the choirmaster suspected that the blessing by itself was likely to be ineffective and must be reinforced. To cap all, the suffering congregation must be further tortured by a "Vestry Prayer" (which although intended for the choir alone) but is shouted or wailed from the back of the church. May we plead for a return to the days when leaving God's House was a business both brisk and courteous?

CHURCHMAN.

A Scotsman seeing the following epitaph "Here lies John Smith, a lawyer and an honest man" exclaimed "Fancy burying two fellows in one grave."

"Well, I'll Be Going Now . . ."

Most of us have been afflicted, at some time or other, with the kind of visitor who seems to be quite incapable of taking his departure. When the visit has been satisfactorily concluded he intimates that he is about to go but shows no indication of fulfilling his intention. Instead, he remembers another anecdote and talks for another half hour. At that stage he may be piloted firmly to the door and has to put on overcoat, hat, overshoes, and gloves—which in itself takes half an hour this weather—and which he protracts by further conversation while the unhappy host stands first on one foot and then on the other. Finally, the glorious words are heard—"Well, I'll be going now . . ." and host and hostess prepare to resume their normal occupations—only to discover that the departing guest, having grasped the door-knob firmly

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All at the Cathedral take this opportunity to send warmest Christian greetings and prayers to you in other parishes throughout the Diocese for God's blessing of the New Year.

The Cathedral was most beautifully decorated for the Christmas Festival by Mr. and Mrs. Tims. The congregation began the observance of the Nativity in a midnight Sung Eucharist, at which the Archbishop was present. Then Christmas Day a service of Matins was conducted for the whole family, with nursery care provided for the tiny tots in the Parish Hall. Holy Communion was celebrated at 8:30 a.m. and 12 o'clock noon.

Confirmation Classes may already have commenced when this issue of the Churchman is in the mail. The first Adult Class begins preparation Sunday, Jan. 6th, after Evensong; the first boys and girls class Wednesday, Jan. 9th, at 7:00 p.m. The Confirmation itself is arranged for Monday, March 31st, in the evening.

The A.Y.P.A. continues an active program of work, fellowship, worship and edification and looks forward to more vigorous activity in the New Year to lend strength to the "Golden Jubilee" efforts. Canon Wolffe was the guest speaker at a recent meeting and presented some interesting and valuable information on the subject, "Symbolism."

At 10:00 a.m. on the Third Sunday in Advent, Lt.-Col. R. Wilkes, M.C., army Chaplain, led an army parade to the Cathedral. The Dean preached the sermon. Lt.-Col. Wilkes preached during the 11:00 o'clock service.

The choir has sung Spohr's "Last Judgment" as part of the Cathedral's Advent music. Some of the choir members have assisted in the singing of "The Messiah," recently performed in Edmonton. Mr. Vernon Barford led the choir in the singing of selected Christmas music at the Annual Carol Festival, Dec. 19th.

The children have made their offerings in a White Gift Service and the gifts have been forwarded to the children at Frog Lake Mission.

The Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Cubs and Brownies paraded for Evensong shortly before Christmas. Officers in charge were Mr. Roy Brooks, Mr. Jones, Miss Payne, Mrs. Wark and Mrs. Read.

The Cathedral Sunday School has purchased a film strip and 2x2 slide projector for use in the religious education program. The purchase was made possible by gifts from the Senior W.A., Evening Branch W.A., Connaught Group W.A., Business Girls' W.A., the Chi Rho Fellowship and Mrs. Ball.

Plans are progressing favourably for the completion of a Cathedral building.

HOLY TRINITY

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Once again our Christmas Services were well attended, and a source of much joy and inspiration. The Sanctuary Guild had decorated the Church so beautifully, and we are grateful to them for all their work. The Choir sang excerpts from "The Messiah" two weeks before Christmas. Mr. R. Jones and Mr. W. Townsend were Guest soloists for the occasion. On the Sunday evening before Christmas the Congregation and Choir enjoyed one of the best carol services we have ever had.

On Christmas Eve the Church was filled for the Choral Communion, and we were very glad of the assistance of Archdeacon Tackaberry. The Rector told the age-old story of Christmas and the birth of our Saviour.

Christmas parties were held by most organizations. The Beginners Sunday School party was a great success, and more than a hundred children of pre-school age were present. Our thanks to the Mothers' Union for their great help in making this event such an outstanding success, and also to Mr. J. Patton for a fine imitation of St. Nicholas which endeared him to the children. The Primary and Main School party will be on Dec. 28th and the Men's Club will be in charge. Mr. G. Johnson kindly made a beautiful oak re-table for the Sunday School altar.

Bazaars—All the three Bazaars proved most successful, and the Parish Guild Bazaar held in the foyer of the Garneau Theatre was another colourful and happy event. The recently formed Garneau Group also had a booth. Practically everything was sold, and the results were very gratifying. The Parish Guild, after voting a generous donation to the Mortgage Fund, decided to go ahead with the project of new carpet for the Church, Chancel and Sanctuary.

The W.A. completed a most happy and successful year. Substantial gifts were made to a number of missionary causes, and Diocesan and Dominion appeals, as well as a donation to the Mortgage Fund. A combined W.A.-Mothers' Union party was held in appreciation of the good fellowship which exists between

these groups, and the help given by the M.U. to the W.A. at the bazaar.

The Young Women's Fellowship also had a happy Christmas party to round off a successful year's activities. A fine donation was also made to the Mortgage Fund.

The Mother's Union again sent Christmas greetings to some 250 Lone Members throughout Northern Alberta. They have also provided new light fixtures for the Parish Hall and the Guild Room for which we are most grateful. Thanks to Mr. S. Marshall for his help, too!

The A.Y.P.A.'s have had a busy month, and are looking forward to the Christmas festivities. The Juniors will hold a party at the home of Marion Robarts, and the Seniors are anticipating an enjoyable New Year's Eve.

The Business Girls Club (Tau Beta Gamma) surprised the Rector by presenting him with a typewriter for use in the Church office. It is a most useful and needed addition to our office equipment.

Christmas Parties were held by the Scouts, Cubs, Guides and Brownies to finish off the season's work. The Girls' Auxiliary and Junior Auxiliary also held Christmas Parties.

The Sunday Schools held their Carol Service on Sunday morning, Dec. 23rd at the same time as Morning Service.

The Rector would like to thank the Congregation for the generous Christmas offertory.

ST. MICHAELS AND ALL ANGELS'

On St. Thomas' Day, the Most Reverend, the Archbishop of Edmonton visited St. Michael's for Confirmation and the Dedication of the Church pews. This event marked the fulfilment of a project undertaken early in the year. The Archbishop's visit was the high-light of the year in St. Michael's and all were strengthened and encouraged by his message. These pews were given by relatives and friends in grateful remembrance of the persons named herein and of their service gladly given in His Name.

Richard Michael Swan, Canon; Ronald Fleming MacDougall, Priest; Walter Leversedge, Archdeacon; John Colmworth Matthews, Canon; Constance Lillingston; Fanny Marshall; Clifford James Adams; Amy Gertrude Phillips; Ethel Bennett; Joseph Oliver; John Morley Dzurank.

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the Diocesan W.A. in St. Faith's Church when St. Michael's W.A. joined with St. Faith's in corporate communion. We congratulate her.

Over ninety members of the combined Sunday Schools of the parish, and almost as many parents enjoyed a hilarious evening in the Community Hall on the occasion of the annual Christmas party. A good program, the visit of Santa Claus, and lunch for all satisfied everyone.

December was a month of bees—well-named. No bees were ever busier than those men and women of the parish who came night after night to do carpenter work, scrubbing, painting—a general renewing job. We are all delighted with the improvements made and grateful to those who did it. Best of all, everyone enjoyed the whole effort.

Baptisms—Linda Grace Murray, Fenton Walter Murray, Sheila Marion McLaughlin, Stewart Robert Benner.

Those confirmed were—Harris Mitchell, Frank Scott, Ethel Guthrie.

ST. MICHAEL'S

There has been quite a lot of activity at St. Michael's in North Edmonton when the ladies of the W.A. held a cleaning and painting bee. The church floor has been newly painted and is quite a credit to the work they put into it. Also we must not forget the men who volunteered and fixed the parish hall to make it warm and comfortable for the Sunday School. We wish to thank all those who have taken such a kindly interest in helping to make the church more attractive and are hoping to welcome them at our services.

Wishing the North Edmonton congregation the Season's Greetings, and bright hopes for the coming year.

Baptism—Nov. 11th, Stewart Robert Benner; Sheila Marion McLaughlin.

ST. PETER'S

Rev. W. W. Buxton

W.A.—The ladies report a very successful Fall Bazaar, with the proceeds around the five hundred dollar mark.

Following the St. Andrew's Day service on Nov. 30th, the Evening Group were hostesses to the Senior Group and the Mother's Group, at an enjoyable social in the Parish Hall. The evening's entertainment was arranged by Mrs. Baux and Mrs. Wilson and included movie pictures and a very humorous skit enacted by a cast from the Evening Branch. A delicious lunch was served following the entertainment.

Twelve Christmas stockings were filled by St. Peter's Branches, which together with those contributed by the other W.A. Branches throughout the City, were distributed over the Christmas week-end to the patients at the Camsell Hospital.

The Evening Branch would like to thank those who sent articles and assisted with their Rummage Sale on Dec. 15th: net proceeds amounted to fifty dollars.

Altar Guild—The Altar Guild was very pleased to receive a \$25 cheque from the Sr. W.A. and would also like to acknowledge with thanks several individual contributions to the Flower Fund.

Choir—On Sunday evening, Dec. 2nd, the Rector and Choir attended the dedication service of the beautiful new St. George's Church at Fort Saskatchewan. We were very pleased to receive the invitation and to be able to share in this happy occasion.

We very much appreciate the services of Mrs. DeWynter and Mr. Byrne on this occasion, who took charge of the service at St. Peters.

Sunday School—We are glad to see Mrs. Harris back on her feet again after a sudden illness.

The week end of December 15th was an important one for the Sunday School children. On Saturday night they had their Christmas Party, complete with Santa Claus and all the trimmings.

On Sunday at 12:30 a repetition of last year's lovely and impressive White Gift service took place, at which the children portrayed the Nativity scene and presented their gifts to the Christ Child. These gifts were later sent to the Indian School at Frog Lake.

It is rather significant to note that at the White Gift Service one year ago the collection received was the start of the building fund for the new hall, which now is completed and in use.

Parish—The Every Member canvass was conducted in our Parish with very satisfying results.

Holy Baptism—Margo Eileen Young; Shirley Louise Moffatt, Stewart Frederick Moffatt; Brian William Johnson.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Rev. W. E. Harrison

All the usual Christmas plans and activities are in full swing at St. John's.

The first event of the season was the Nativity play presented in the Church on Dec. 12th, 13th and 14th, for the second successive year. There were few changes in the cast but considerable time had been spent on new costumes. The play was, once again, the perfect beginning for our Christmas preparations and it is a joy to know that there are plans to make this an annual affair. The Parish owes a very real debt of gratitude to Mrs. Greenwood, the director; to the members of the cast and those who worked behind the scenes; and to Miss Corlett and her special choir.

Christmas services will be held at the usual times and Rev. F. A. Peake has kindly agreed to assist our Rector.

Keeping track of progress on the Parish Hall is a favourite pastime of most parishioners. It is beginning to look very interesting and while the official opening and the Sunday School parties are being postponed to January it is hoped that the Hall will be available for Sunday School very shortly, thus relieving those members of the Parish who have so

kindly loaned their homes for Sunday School week after week. Notices concerning the opening of the Hall, parties, and the Annual Meeting will appear in the Parish Bulletin.

ST. FAITH'S

The Rev. L. M. Watts

"The time has come," the Walrus said, "to speak of many things." Well at least that is what the Walrus said, but he was evidently a fellow that got about a bit, and also people told him things—

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else how could he discourse on such wide apart subjects as cabbages and kings? But our lot in life is very sad and lonely, no one tells us anything! So how we ask can we write notes on the events taking place at St. Faith's with any degree of intelligence or authority? We know that all the organizations have been busy by what our friends have said, but notes cannot be written up without word from those in charge.

However, we hope you all had a very happy time over the Christmas Season and that the New Year brings Peace and Happiness for you and all the world.

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Rev. A. P. Venables

The flowers on the Altar at Evensong on Sunday, Dec. 9th were in loving memory of Florence Maud Blatchford and Florrie Blatchford.

At the Parish Communion Service at St. Andrewside Mrs. M. Davidson and Mrs. Peterson were received as members of the Evening and Afternoon branches of the W.A. respectively.

A goodly number are now attending Confirmation Classes on Wednesdays, and babies for Baptism are emerging out of the Sherbrooke district.

The new partitions in the Parish Hall are proving of great assistance in the Sunday School work. The next improvement will be a new window beside the pulpit.

The W.A. concluded their meetings for the year 1951 on Dec. 11th.

The "Social Hour" will commence again on the 4th Sunday in January, after Evensong.

Baptisms—Robert A. Hall, Donald G. Edwards, Eleanor J. Armstrong, Cora A. Armstrong, Fay Armstrong, Warren J. Frost.

EMMANUEL, GIBBONS

The outstanding event during the past month was the visit of the Archbishop for the purpose of the Confirmation of a group of young people. We had the pleasure of meeting the Archbishop after, at a reception given by the good people of Bon Accord. We welcome these young people into full membership of our church and congratulate our Rector on the good work he has done. Those confirmed were—Eunice Gibbons, Patricia Fraser, Lowes Knott, Katie McLean, Virginia Toane, Agnes Hall, Patricia Mabbutt, Keith Dawson, Harold Sprague.

The report of the W.A. on their Bazaar and Sale of Home Cooking is to the effect that it was a great success, well patronized by the public. The results financially will be of assistance in meeting obligations.

The men of the Vestry also proclaim that the Annual Pancake Supper was an unqualified success. The large staff required for satisfactory service was obtained by enlisting the services of young men of the congregation and many other

friends in the community. The managing Committee—Messrs. Tim Gibbons, Earl Toane and Roy Wearmonth deserve great credit for smooth action right through. The entertainment program was good, and well received. The net sum of \$94. was realized, a welcome addition to general funds.

ST. JAMES

Despite the cold weather, work on the church has been progressing steadily, so that it will be possible for us to have our first service on Christmas Eve. Letters have been sent to all those visited during the summer by the Rev. J. G. Gibbons, the Rev. R. Alcott, and the Rev. Kells Minchin. These men will be glad to hear that all the work done in preparing the foundation of St. James, has now been largely completed. Some of the men of the parish have been busy in the evenings doing the finishing work on the interior. Mr. T. C. Robinson, the contractor, has made a lovely altar, for which Mrs. R. C. Rogers is making an altar cloth. Both will be used for the first time on Christmas Eve. Temporary seating has been arranged by Mr. D. R. Gittins, and some of the park benches will find temporary storage in St. James', and solve a problem for us. Now that our building is useable, we hope to start a choir and W.A. early in the new year. As the church reaches a more completed state, no doubt it will be used more and more.

ST. PAUL'S

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The Rev. G. D. Kelly

It may be a little late, but it's a sincere wish for all, A Happy New Year.

This is the month of Annual Meetings and until it is over details of the past year's work are not available. But from all sides the organizations of the Parish say their annual reports will announce a very successful year. In almost every case there have been increases in membership and larger programs brought through to successful completion.

It is always a wonderful experience to see so many friends greeting one another at the Christmas Services and to see so many new faces in the congregation. Nor were our absent friends forgotten. The W.A. sent their greetings to their Prayer Partners, to Betty Hawkins at the Anglican Woman's Training College and to Miss Swift at St. John's School Aklavik.

If our Sunday School continues to grow at its present rate something by way of extending the Parish Hall will have to be seriously considered. It was very noticeable at the Christmas Parties when our present accommodation was taxed to the limit. But we're not complaining for we rejoice to be able to serve Christ and His Church through His children in the community.

The Little Helpers Roll grows steadily longer—it now numbers about ninety and early in this new year it will no doubt pass the hundred mark.

The date for the Annual Congregational meeting is to be decided at the next Vestry Meeting and will be announced in Church and given due publicity through the organizations. We look forward to a good attendance to hear the reports of what has happened and help make plans for the future.

Congratulations to the Choir who did such an excellent service to the Parish in leading the singing and through special music over Christmas. We welcome several new members, adult and Junior, and a special "Thank you" to our Choir Leader and Organist.

Just a thought for those who subscribe to the Churchman—when you have read your copy why not pass it along to someone in the Parish you think might be interested. We would like to increase the number of our subscribers and perhaps you could help by introducing them to it.

ST. MARK'S

The Rev. G. W. Wilson

Many of you will be receiving the Edmonton Churchman for the first time this month. We hope you will find it so interesting that you will become regular subscribers. You will find the subscription envelope enclosed.

We expect the Annual Meeting to be held on the 18th of Jan. in the Parish Hall. This will be preceded by a Parish Supper as we did last year. We hope you will keep that date free.

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Afternoon W.A.—The Annual Christmas Bazaar and Tea proved very successful again this year. The President Mrs. W. Fleming thanks everyone who helped to make it so, and wishes everyone the best for the New Year. The Group is planning a Supper Social early in Jan. for the afternoon group.

Evening Group W.A.—The work on the Study Book continues, the members are finding it most educational. Best wishes to all for a Happy New Year.

Junior Auxiliary—The Junior's Variety and Candy Table at the Bazaar was a great success. The girl's mothers are to be thanked for all the lovely articles and candy that they contributed. Because of the illness of their leader, the J.A.'s St. Andrew's Day service was cancelled and the stripes and badges will be presented later on in Jan. Under the guidance of Mrs. Wilson, who has taken over for Mrs. Hughes for a month, the girls made their Mother's Christmas Corsages. The Party was also postponed until a later date. During the month the Juniors presented Purple and White Burses and Veils to the Church.

A.Y.P.A.—The A.Y.P.A. Fireside in Dec. was well attended. The Film "Children on Trial" was most instructive and interesting. The Annual Diocesan Christmas Party was held at St. Mark's this year. There was a large attendance. The entertainment was provided by St. Mark's and Christ Church A.Y.P.A. The gifts of canned food were later delivered to St. John's House.

Sunday School—Never in the history of St. Mark's was the hall so full as on the night of the Christmas Party. Mr. Bromley and Mr. Bull are to be commended on the excellent program arranged. If noise was anything to go by the children had a wonderful time.

7th Edmonton Scout and Cub Pack held its annual Christmas Party in the Hall. The Hall was filled to capacity as parents of the boys witnessed the presentation of 10 proficiency badges and 17 tender pad awards. We now have 18 Scouts and 60 Cubs. Both Scout and Cub Leaders are to be commended for the grand job they are doing.

CHRIST CHURCH

This past month has been one of great activity in Christ Church. The W.A. Bazaar, on which a report appears below, was a tremendous success, and gave evidence once again of the inadequacy of our Parish Hall. This matter came up several times in the discussions of the "Parish Council" at their first meeting. This unofficial council is made up of representatives of all organized departments of the Church's work, and the meeting was called under the direction of the Activities Committee of the Vestry. It is hoped that further meetings will be held, in order that the various aspects of the activities of the Parish may be integrated more closely.

The Men's Club held a most successful Party on November 30th. About 150 men and women of the Congregation

sat down to supper, which was served by the W.A., and this was followed by a program of music and conjuring which was much enjoyed by all. Afterwards Mr. Miles Palmer was M.C. for a period of square dancing in which everyone took an active part. The Men's Club are to be congratulated on an excellent evening.

The A.Y.P.A. has been having an active season since the opening in October. Large attendances and a fine spirit of fellowship mark all their meetings. Their latest "evening," on Dec. 7th, was a "scavenger hunt," followed by a social hour in the Parish Hall.

The Cub Mothers prepared an excellent dinner for the Cubs of both Cub Packs, with their fathers, on Dec. 13th. An excellent series of films was shown, and gifts were distributed to the boys.

The Annual Christmas Parties for the Sunday School were held on Dec. 14th. At the Beginners' Party in the afternoon some 70 children were present with their mothers, to enjoy a brief program of singing, a "party" lunch, and a visit from Santa Claus. The evening program of the Main school was well organized and better than ever; so also was the attendance for some 140 children and an equal number of parents were present. Our thanks are due to the teachers and officers of both departments for their untiring efforts to make these parties a success.

W.A.—The W.A. had a busy month in Nov., beginning with the Annual Bazaar, which this year was a tremendous success. The newly-formed "Jean Hart Group," who worked hard all year dressing dolls, contributed very materially to this success. During the month a new venture, suggested by Mrs. H. M. E. Evans, was tried out, the members bringing good used articles to one of the meetings and selling them amongst themselves. In this way a sizable amount was realized in a very short time. The W.A. also joined with the Evening Branch and the Friendship Circle in an evening of films on South America, including those on the Study Book. The Evening Branch were hostesses on this occasion, and a very pleasant evening was enjoyed by the large audience. On Nov. 30th our Intercession Service was held in the Church at 2:30 p.m., and afterwards the members adjourned to the Parish Hall, to prepare for a turkey supper which they served to the Men's Club and their wives and friends. At the Dec. meeting, when money for the year was voted away, after generous donations to various projects, the W.A. were happy to be able to complete the purchase of the new carpet recently laid in the Chancel. It was also decided to assist with the furnishing of the Primate's office, and to place Mrs. F. C. Hooper's name in the W.A. Book of Remembrance.

ST. LUKE'S

Canon A. Wallis

Sunday, Dec. 2nd was "White Gift" Sunday at St. Luke's. It was a treacherous day out as the side-walks were covered with glare ice, but the Church was

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crowded to see the Nativity Play reverently portrayed. The White Gifts were then presented at the Manger. The larger number of these gifts have already been sent away (at the time of writing), and we wish to thank our people for their thoughtfulness and generosity.

On Sunday, Dec. 16th, at the Evening Service, the Senior Choir sang the Cantata "The Babe of Bethlehem." It was very much enjoyed. Soloists were Mr. F. Hunter; Mr. J. Bradley; Miss Jean Whittingback.

Last year the A.Y. members went out Carol singing (on Christmas Eve) to the aged and the shut-ins, and it was such a success that they hope to repeat the good deed again this year. It is to be hoped that the weather-man is more favourably inclined than he is at this time. (20 below zero).

The Every Member Canvass has been carried out by members of the various organizations, but the report is not to hand as these notes are being prepared.

The sympathy of the Congregation is extended to Mrs. P. Orriss on the passing of her father.

Baptisms—Nov. 25th, David John Bradley; Marsha Lois Petryshen.

Marriage—Irvine Martin Christensen and Mary Jane Bonar.

Burial—Dec. 12th, George Henry Sharpe.

ST. MARY'S

Canon W. T. Elkin

In this first issue of a new year, we should like to take this opportunity of wishing all our readers the Compliments of the Season.

The joyous season of Christmas was indeed a happy one at St. Mary's, with the church filled to capacity at all the services. Thanks to the untiring efforts of the Sanctuary Guild the church was beautifully decorated for this great festival.

All groups were busy with Christmas parties, with Santa Claus much in evidence at the children's parties. First of these events was the Cub party in which the two groups joined in a jolly evening of films and fun. Refreshments were provided by the Cub Mothers Club.

The Sunday School Christmas Treat was held in the Highlands Community Hall, and after a program of films and carol singing, Santa Claus appeared to give gifts of candy and presents from the tree. Awards for attendance were also given, with prizes going to: Neil Scott, Hugh Henderson, Margaret Mac-Millan, Joan Clark, Gary Burns, Brian Cotter, Diane Jeffels and Jimmy Barr.

The next afternoon the Beginners Sunday School Tree was held in the Parish Hall, and after a short program of stories and carols, Santa presented gifts and refreshments were served.

The Junior Auxiliary party took the form of a Sleigh-ride, with the Christmas tree party being held in the Parish Hall afterward. The Juniors invited their

Mothers as guests and presented each one with a gift made by themselves.

Earlier in the season, on Nov. 29th the Evening Group of the W.A. held a most successful Tea and Bazaar in All Saints Parish Hall. G.A. and J.A. groups each had a table of work and candy, and the total proceeds were very gratifying.

At the evening service on Dec. 23rd the choir presented a beautiful program of carols and special Christmas music, under the direction of the choirmaster, Mr. White.

The Evening Group of the W.A. spent a very enjoyable social evening on Dec. 5th as the guests of their honorary president, Mrs. Collins, at St. Catherine's Residence. Much amusement was occasioned by the exchange of small presents.

The Annual St. Andrew's Day Intercessions were observed in the church on Nov. 30th by both groups of the W.A., in conjunction with other W.A. branches throughout the city.

On Dec. 9th the annual service for the Junior Auxiliary was held, with all the juniors attending in their green and gold uniforms. Stripes and badges earned during the year were presented, and several new members welcomed by Canon Elkin.

Adult Confirmation class has been formed and meets every Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. To date there are seven ladies and five men attending. The Rector would welcome any others who would like to enroll or to join in the classes as a refresher course.

CAMSELL HOSPITAL NOTES

Archdeacon C. F. A. Clough, Chaplain

The patients of the Charles Camsell Hospital are most grateful to the members of the W.A. for their continued prayers and interest.

Of the 500 patients 100 are Anglicans. One admires their deep loyalty to the Church which brought their fathers from darkness to the light of the Christian faith. Especially is this true of the Eskimo patients being subjected to the attention of members of "Peculiar Sects," who will call on them during the public visiting hours.

As Chaplain I deeply appreciate the co-operation of various members of the W.A. in visiting the patients. They bring their Prayer Books.

There are 56 Eskimo patients and these like my Indian patients are a long way from home with no friends to visit them. It means much when others visit them in the name of the Church. Indicative of the instruction being given down North and reflecting great credit to the faithful men and women ministering to them, they all have their Eskimo Prayer Books with them. In this I think they are an example to others. Ministering to these people is a privilege for us all to share.

Those noble men and women up North look to us to support, by our prayers and comforts, the work they are doing. Likewise it is true of those

working amongst our Indian population, it is when you get them together as we have them in the Charles Camsell Indian hospital, that you realise the devoted service being given by the men and women working amongst our Indian and Eskimo people. It may be of interest to note that the Charles Camsell Hospital is the largest of its kind on the Continent.

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St. Paul's Church, Leduc. Priest in Charge Archdeacon C. F. A. Clough. Thanks to the persistent efforts of Mrs. Wilkinson and Miss Simpson and others; we have a new organ and it is proving a great help in our worship. The Sunday School is being faithfully ministered to by Mrs. Wilkinson. The W.A. is most active. The Every Member Canvass is not yet completed, owing to the bad weather, but it has got away to a good start and we look forward to 1952 being a banner year for the parish.

Holy Matrimony—Ian Alexander Stewart, Bachelor, and Florence Elizabeth Wilkison, Spinster were joined in Holy Matrimony by the Ven. Archdeacon Clough in St. Paul's Church Friday, December 21st, 1951. We extend the good wishes of the parish to them.

As well as the foregoing duties I am now called upon to minister on the 1st and 3rd Sundays to the RCAF at the Edmonton Station and also at the RCAF Station at Namao.

St. George's Church, Devon. Priest in Charge Archdeacon C. F. A. Clough. At last the congregation of this Mission have been able to secure a building set apart to the worship of God.

Heretofore we have had to worship in a public building not entirely satisfactory. Thanks to Mr. J. Christopherson and members of the congregation we have now our own building. That a permanent Church Building will arise as a witness to our faith is much nearer to becoming a reality. As Priest in charge I am full of admiration for the faithful patience of our people there.

ST. MARY'S

The Rev. D. V. A. Browne

The St. Andrew's Day Service was held in the church on Nov. 30th at 3:00 p.m. The service was conducted by the Vicar, the address being given by the Rev. Emmanuel Heuer who was in Barrhead for the purpose of showing films and giving an address that evening on the work of the British and Foreign Bible Society. Mr. Heuer's interesting and informative address was much appreciated and we are grateful to him for assisting in this service.

The regular meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. E. Barraclough on Dec. 5th. Final arrangements for the Bazaar were made and the Dorcas Secretary reported that there was a good variety of articles on hand. The committee responsible for getting donations for the Home Cooking Stall also reported that the response they had received to their requests indicated that there would be an especially good supply of tasty articles for this stall. The sum of \$5.00 was voted towards the expenses of the Sunday School Christmas Tree. The next meeting, which will be the annual meeting and election of officers, will be held at the home of Mrs. H. MacKenzie on Jan. 2nd.

The Annual Bazaar, Sale of Home Cooking and Tea, sponsored by the W.A. which was held on Saturday, Dec. 8th was most successful. We were favoured with a lovely mild day and large numbers patronised the affair to partake of the excellent tea served and to purchase the many useful and attractive articles on sale. The total net proceeds amounted to \$163.00, and the members of the W.A. sincerely thank all those who helped in any way to make the affair such a success.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 12th, the annual Sunday School Concert and Christmas Tree was held in the Legion Hall. The concert, consisting of choruses, recitations, a dance, and sketches, was very well presented and thoroughly enjoyed by all present. The teachers responsible, Mrs. B. Swann, Mrs. D. G. Taylor and Miss A. Stromquist are to be congratulated on their training and handling of the children. Thanks also are due to Miss M. Johnson who so ably assisted at the piano. After the concert came the big moment—Santa Claus once again made his appearance. It was plain to see from the expressions on the faces of the children, especially the tiny ones, as each one went forward to receive a gift and a bag of candy, that this was the event they had really been looking forward to all evening. It was a most enjoyable affair—as one small boy said to his mother next day, "That Sunday School party was such fun!"

Marriage—On Nov. 24th, Daniel Richard McKeeman of Lunnford, Alta. to Elma Schweigert of Brookland, Alta.

Baptisms—On Dec. 2nd, Shirley Anne Sommerfeld. On Dec. 9th, Pamela Lillian Ewart, Bud Wayne, Wendy Elaine Meyer, Brian Dale Meyer. On Dec. 16th, Raymond Wood, Richard Charles Wood, Beverley Irma Wood.

Burials—On Dec. 3rd, James Clarke, in Manola Cemetery. On Dec. 4th, Wilfred Pickstone, in Beechmount Cemetery, Edmonton.

ST. GEORGE, FT. SASKATCHEWAN J. E. Williams

On the evening of Sunday, Dec. 2nd our beloved Archbishop visited the parish to dedicate the new Church to the glory of God and in honor of St. George. After a petition to dedicate had been presented by Mr. Len. Browne, the people's warden, the Archbishop proceeded to the act of dedication. The Scripture portions were read by Archdeacon S. F. Tackaberry and the sermon was delivered by the Rev. W. W. Buxton, the former Rector. Accompanying our own clergy were the Rev. H. J. Heuer the British and Foreign Bible Society representative and the Rev. W. A. Magee, pastor of the First United Church, Fort Saskatchewan. The occasion also marked the first step into a new life for Daphne Janet Eiri, the younger daughter of the Rector and Mrs. Williams, when the Archbishop baptised her in the name of God and signed her with the sign of the Cross.

After the dedication service a reception was held in the Union Hall in honor of Archbishop Barfoot. His Grace gave a very interesting and amusing account of his visit to Korea and Japan. After which, other members of the clergy, including the Dean of Edmonton, expressed their good wishes to St. George's Church. The large number of parishioners and their friends who attended the service and reception will always remember this momentous occasion in the life of the Church at Fort Saskatchewan.

Members of the Sunday School were entertained at a Christmas party at the Rectory on Friday, Dec. 21st. About 30 children and some of their parents enjoyed the eats, the Christmas tree, and the oranges, candies etc.

The spirit of Christmas was first felt when the older pupils of the Sunday School partook in the Carol Service and Readings held on Sunday, Dec. 23rd. The Christmas story was well read by the pupils and the carols were well sung. The attendance at the 11:30 service on Christmas Eve was not so large as in previous years but it was nevertheless a solemn and beautiful service.

HOLY TRINITY, BON ACCORD

J. E. Williams

On the afternoon of Sunday, Dec. 2nd a class of 11 candidates were presented to the Archbishop for Confirmation. The Church was full of parents and friends to witness "the laying on of hands" and to encourage the young members on that important day in their lives. Those confirmed were: James Robert Schneider, Linden H. R. Bland, James T. Milligan, George H. Wallace Bland, Caroline E. Schneider, Donna May Schneider, Ellen M. Schneider, Patricia A. Schneider, Margaret R. Bland, Doreen E. Carleton and Elizabeth Ann Milligan. Mrs. Doris Joyce Carleton was also admitted into the fellowship of the Anglican Communion from the Roman Catholic Church.

The candles and oil lamps lent an appropriate atmosphere to the wonderful Service which was held on Christmas Eve. The Church was full to capacity and the young people who had formed a choir for the occasion sang the carols most sweetly and lustily. Miss Marjorie Milligan gave a most beautiful rendering of "O Silent Night" and helped everyone present in the worship of the Christ-Child.

We take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. and Mrs. John Milligan on the celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary on January 1st, 1952. May God continue to bless them with further happiness and many more anniversaries.

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ST. JOHN'S, ONOWAY

The Rev. Canon J. C. Matthews, B.A.

The W.A. held a very successful tea. Sale of work, home cooking and fish pond on Dec. 1st in the Community Hall, Onoway. They wish to thank all who supported them in this effort, and made the tea such a success. The W.A. are giving \$25.00 toward the Vicarage Building Fund.

They also met to decorate the Church for Christmas. An invitation is being given to the young married women of the Church to attend the W.A. meeting on Feb. 14th.

A member will look after the children during the meeting.

Friends and neighbors of Seba Beach were saddened to hear of the passing of Mr. Fred Bunting on Dec. 4th. He will be missed by all that knew him, as he was an old time resident of this district. Our sympathy goes out to his wife and family.

ST. MARY & ST. GEORGE, JASPER

The Rev. E. N. P. Orme

The Little Helpers Annual Service and Rally was held on Saturday, Nov. 24th with a good turn out, considering the large amount of sickness in many homes. The roll now contains over 80 names which means a big job for the Secretary, Mrs. Prowse, who is to be congratulated on the success of this annual event and the faithfulness with which she looks after her "family". Mrs. Edith Webb gave an excellent Flannel-graph at the Service.

The next evening, Nov. 25th the Kiwanis Club attended Evensong. The Lessons were read by members of the Club and a large choir, augmented by members of the Club and United Church members assisted. The Church was nicely filled for the occasion.

Mrs. Dempster has been hostess to both the Guild and the EBWA during the past month, both of which proved excellent meetings. Both groups are very grateful to her for her kind hospitality.

The J.W.A. held their St. Andrew's-tide service on Nov. 28th when a large group of new members were enrolled and others received badges and stripes. Mrs. Peterson is to be congratulated on the successful work in this group. The E.B.W.A. held its St. Andrew's-tide service on Nov. 30th by attending Corporate Holy Communion.

The Annual E.B.W.A. Christmas Bazaar was again held at the Astoria Hotel and proved as successful as ever, with a large number attending the tea, and making good purchases at the bazaar tables.

Sunday, Dec. 2nd was White Gift Sunday, when two large cartons of gifts were donated for the Frog Lake Mission. The following Tuesday several members of the E.B.W.A. met at the Par-

ish Hall to pack the gifts and ten cartons of used clothing for the Social Service work. This shipment was kindly transported to Edmonton, free of charge, by Mr. Wm. Roeske, a member of the congregation.

A community event of interest was the opening of the new High School on Wednesday, Dec. 12th when the Incumbent and Mrs. Orme were guests of the School Board, the latter giving the Invocation at the opening.

The Vestry sponsored the Frank Crawshaw "One Man Theatre" show on Dec. 14th and 15th in the new High School Auditorium. Unfortunately, the weather turned cold just at this time, which, with other attractions, seriously affected the attendance. Much credit is due to Mr. J. Heckley for the hard work he spent on this event.

The Guild Bridge Tournament is winding up as these notes go to press, with some twelve tables at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie. This Tournament has proved a pleasant experience for the many contestants, and much credit for its success is due to the Convenor, Mrs. McKenzie.

The joy of the Christmas Services and the fun of the entertainments, both of Christmas and the New Year will be over by the time these notes appear, but the writer would like to wish one and all, a Happy and Prosperous 1952.

ST. PHILIP'S, WESTLOCK

The Rev. D. V. A. Browne

Deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Conkin, (president of St. Philip's Guild) from the ladies of the guild and church in the loss of her father Dr. E. Moran of Ashburn, Sask.

May the courage and strength which our Christian faith gives, be hers in fullest measure.

The Guild met at the home of Mrs. Merryweather on Wednesday afternoon Dec. 5th.

Our treasurer was kept busy awhile signing cheques as motions were carried to pay balance of apportionments \$62.40—gas bills, light bills, etc. The assembly also voted half of bill for tuning piano be paid by Guild and Sunday School likewise the other \$5.00.

A letter was read by Mrs. Nelson from Mrs. Bell at Fort Simpson and was of much interest to all.

Our Vicar stopped for the tea on his way to Clyde and thanked the Guild for their help to the Church. After exchange of gifts (a guild custom here) a dainty lunch was served.

The Sunday School Christmas program will be given Friday eve in Parish Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Traditional Christmas Eve Carol Services at St. Philip's Church at 11:30 followed by Holy Communion at Midnight.

ST. FAITH'S, EDSON

The Rev. H. W. Buchner

The Rev. J. G. Gardiner

The Rev. G. A. Robinson

An interesting fact in regard to the marriage of Allan and Jessie Linden is that this event took place on the Wedding anniversary of the groom's parents.

Many people of the congregation who knew Mr. Dunworth of Foothills and whose funeral was held at St. Catherine's will remember him for his loyalty.

Our sympathy goes to the loved ones left by Kenneth Pearce, Edson and Alfred Shaw of Sterco.

It is hoped that Mr. and Mrs. Rice of Cadomin will soon be well after their motor accident.

We are all very sorry that Mrs. F. Marshall is ill and hope that she will soon be home from St. John's Hospital in Edson.

The annual bazaar is over with all branches of the W.A. reporting success, also in other ventures which includes a number of banquets, not the least of which was one undertaken by the indomitable Mrs. H. E. Tucker, who took on a banquet all by herself for 30 people, only to find out there were 125 instead. The proceeds of this was to be for the Sunday School. Needless to say mothers and teachers of the Sunday School all pitched in and made it a success with Mrs. Ernie Harrison a very good lieutenant. (The W.A. were catering to a banquet for 80 the same night.)

The Sunday School party is to be the week after Christmas.

We are all looking forward to Christmas and midnight services, and wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Baptism—Allan Charles Linden, Edson.

Marriages—Frank Bonise, Lillian Irma Bryant, St. Catherine's, Edson. Allan Charles Linden, Jessie Ellen Hexter, St. Catherine's, Edson.

Funerals—Kenneth Pearce, Edson. Charles Dunworth, Foothills. Alfred Shaw, Sterco.

ALL SAINTS, DRAYTON VALLEY

We hope that by the time this comes in print the Farmers will be finished with their Harvesting and that life on the farm will be back to normal routine.

Through the perseverance and continued efforts of the Men's committee the Church Basement has at last been finished and is proving itself a most worthwhile job and we wish to say well done and many thanks. All Saints W.A. is planning to hold its annual fall Supper and Bazaar on Nov. 30th. So come out for a good old time Social Evening, bring your friends and neighbors, try our Pot Luck supper and do your Christmas shopping early.

A whist drive to follow.

Rural Deanery of Vermilion

ST. SAVIOUR'S, VERMILION

The Rev. Canon T. W. Teape

G. A. Ruskell—One of the most interesting and edifying events of the past few weeks was the visit of the Rev. G. A. Ruskell to the parish. A small group of devoted Anglicans heard Mr. Ruskell tell a fascinating story of five years of missionary work among the Eskimos in Baffinland. It was a story brilliantly told and no less brilliantly illustrated by means of a series of slides which were both beautiful and informing. Mr. Ruskell and his message will be remembered for a long time by those who heard him.

Choir to be Re-Covered—By this we mean to say that they (or at least the feminine part of the choir) are to have new hats. They owe this improvement of their appearance to a handsome cheque bestowed upon them by the Afternoon Branch of the W.A. The hats have been ordered from Whipples of Exeter and are known as "Oxford Caps." Some will rejoice and some will mourn at the passing of the old Mortar Boards. They will soon be only a memory. The choir have been holding very successful and pleasant practices in the homes of the various members. No one is suggesting, of course, that it is the coffee and cake that makes these practices popular. All the same, many thanks to Mona, Gladys, Gertie and Kathie.

Men's Club—This organization is still concentrating on the consumption of condiments and comestibles, or in other words, they are still eating. On Dec. 3rd it was steak and kidney pie (with real crust, thanks to Lorne Pockett—or was it Mona). After the meal the members were regaled with a quizz on words and terms used in the Prayer Book and the Bible and with reference to things in and around the Church building. This quizz had been compiled by none other than Ernie Buckingham, and it just went to show what a lot of knowledge everybody didn't possess.

Education of the Clergy Neglected—The clergy are not so much uneducated as partially educated. They do not know a great deal about farming for instance. Mr. Buckingham points to the example of Calgary Diocese in this regard. In that diocese they provide their clergy with the option of a short course in the Summer at Olds Agricultural College, so that the country parsons may acquire at least an inkling of what their farmer parishioners are trying to do and what they are up against. Mr. Buckingham suggests that Edmonton Diocese should do the same thing for the clergy, providing such a course at the Vermilion School of Agriculture. It strikes us as being a very wise proposal.

Parochial Miscellany: Pleasant Valley—The services which have been held in the various homes have been very well attended. It is surely not wrong to desire to worship God in comfort rather than

in discomfort. To gather together in one another's homes and there to take part in our wonderful services would seem to be both fitting and sensible.

The Sunday School—Mr. MacDorland is providing excellent leadership in this department. It is good to see such fine representatives of our young people as Shirley Taylor, Yvonne Cooper, and Robert Taylor, giving of their time and talents as teachers in our school. They are no doubt learning at the same time that they are sorry, King Edward and Pleasant Valley, that the party which the Afternoon Branch of the W.A. planned to give in your honour, was unavoidably cancelled. Better luck next time—and we hope that the next time will be soon.

Every Member Canvass—Many hands make light work. The old adage worked in this case. Everybody was approached on the distasteful matter of money, and was asked what financial aid they could give to the Church in 1952. Mr. Buckingham covered the country with a small tooth comb. We like to tease him, but we are not unaware of the tremendous amount of work that he does for the Parish, and of its great value and importance to the smooth running of our affairs. On these country trips Mr. Buckingham was helped by Gordon Gould and Christie Clarke, whom we mentioned last month, and on later trips by Mr. W. P. Pilkie and by Billie Pilkie. It is rumored that Billie enjoyed it all so much that he is now prepared to collect for anyone or anything so long as the cause is worthy.

Sunday School Tables—Mr. Shaw has been busy the last few days making three first class tables for the use of the Church School. They are light, durable, and they look like a million dollars—but thanks to Mr. Shaw they cost less than that.

W.A. Bazaar—On the last Saturday in Nov. the Afternoon Branch of the W.A. held their Fall Bazaar, sale of work, home cooking, tea, white elephants, etc., etc. The weather aided and abetted the ladies and they did a "land office" business. Everyone agreed that their success was well earned.

The Pleasant Valley part of the parish was saddened in the latter part of Nov by the passing of Daddy Woodruff. He was an old-timer in the neighbourhood renowned for his good nature. Many a gathering will not seem quite the same without his fun and his teasing.

The death of Mrs. Playne occurred at the same time as that of Daddy Woodruff and was a blow to both the Pleasant Valley congregation and also to the people at St. Saviour's. No one who knew her could help but admire her unremitting cheerfulness and her never ending kindness to all her friends and acquaintances. This was all the more remarkable in the face of a great deal of sickness and ill health. It could be said of her, that if you knew her, you loved her.

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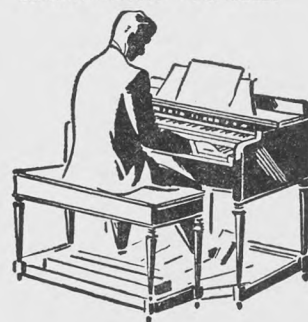
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CHRIST CHURCH, MANNVILLE

The Rev. R. T. Clennett

Church services have been held regularly with only fair attendance. We do hope there will soon be a marked improvement.

There was no vestry meeting in Dec. due to the fact of the seasons many activities. The last meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Rutherford with nine in attendance. The Rev. R. Clennett opened the meeting with prayer and after the minutes and financial reports were approved the new business was undertaken. Mr. Wm. Jackson is to act as janitor for the church and hall in lieu of H. McLuckie. The secretary was instructed to pay all dues to date and any occurring to the end of the year. There was found to be a shortage in the Missionary Appeal and the different points were asked to try and make up the deficit. Mannville was asked for \$17.00 which was readily assented to. A vote of thanks was given to the Amateur Hour Committee.

Re. the Churchman—The secretary was instructed to enquire how many wished to subscribe to the Churchman a list of the subscribers then to be sent in. The Rev. R. Clennett was to enquire re. the purchasing of a Book of Remembrance, the price of making a pulpit, the purchase of prayer books from the Memorial Fund and the purchasing of the Church envelopes. C. W. Hamilton was asked to enquire into the purchase price of folding chairs for the Parish Hall.

The choir has been practising the Christmas anthem and carols.

With the Sunday School—The teachers are ever faithfully taking charge of this very important part of church work. They are also training the pupils for the Christmas concert to be held Dec. 19th in the Orange Hall.

With the W.A.—The Dec. meeting was held in the home of Mrs. C. W. Hamilton with 11 present. The meeting was opened with the Litany led by the Rev. Clennett followed by the W.A. and Lord's Prayer. The financial results of the annual bazaar were given which were very gratifying. In the neighborhood of \$160.00 was realized. It was very successful from every point and sincere thanks are due to all who took active parts, donated and patronized it. Christmas cards were to be sent to friends who had helped the W.A. A Christmas gift was to be sent to Mrs. Johnson our associate member in Saskatoon. The annual meeting will be held in Jan. on Wednesday the 9th at the home of Mrs. H. A. Sutton.

We wish everybody a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

CLANDONALD

The Rev. R. T. Cathcart

The Clandonald W.A. wish to thank all who contributed of their time and goods to the very successful Tea and Sale of home cooking and sewing held

on Dec. 1st. The day was a beautiful, sunny warm one and many made use of it by coming to the Tea. The J.A. girls attended to the "dish washing." Thank you girls!

The J.A. are planning a Tea and Sale of articles on Dec. 15th. We hope they receive plenty of White Elephants!

We were very sorry the date of our Tea came so near St. Andrew's Day, making it difficult for many of our members to attend the Service at Irwinville, only Mrs. Cathcart and Mrs. Seal were able to go with Rev. R. C. Cathcart, who had kindly offered to take a car load.

The Every Member Visitation and Canvass "went over the top," as it were, in this parish.

Christmas will have come and gone by the time this is read—but we do want to extend greetings and kind wishes to Tommy Stockwell who is in a city hospital. Hope you will soon be well again Tommy!

Next item on the program will be Annual Meetings with its election of officers and reports to be made up. The annual meeting of St. Mary's W.A. will be in the afternoon of Jan. 4th at the Vicarage. Don't forget the date ladies and bring along your subscription to The Churchman.

ST. MATTHEW'S, ASHMONT

Rev. L. S. Thurston

Now that threshing is over for the time being we are glad to see some of our farmers back in church on Sunday.

With the days drawing in we find we have to light the lamps even for our afternoon services, however we hope that by next year all we will have to do is to press a button and there shall be light.

A bell has been procured for the church and we hope next summer some good samaritan will come along and put it up for us.

We are looking forward to our Carol Service in the evening of the 23rd when we shall have His Grace the Archbishop with us to deliver the Christmas Message. After this service we hope to have a reception in the hall.

In the New Year envelopes for the Ashmont Mission will be distributed and we hope this may increase our financial returns.

On Nov. 28th a special meeting of the W.A. was held in the rectory for the purpose of making final arrangements for our tea and sale of work. For the small group we have there was a large amount of work turned in for the sale, which was held on Dec. 8th in the Parish Hall. Due to the fine weather we had a very good turnout and we thank all those who assisted and attended thus making it such a wonderful success.

On Nov. 30th, St. Andrew's Day, our rector officiated at a Communion Service for the members of the W.A. at which time he gave us a talk on St. Andrew.

On Monday, Dec. 10th, Mr. H. B. Holloway the Provincial Boy Scout Com-

missioner favored the Scouts with a visit. A meeting was held in the auditorium of the school where the troop was inspected and received more advanced training in Scouting.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Grovum is now home from hospital and feeling much better.

We have received word that Mr. and Mrs. Ashdown, Sr. have arrived safely back to their home in Langford, B.C. after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ashdown, Jr. in Ashmont.

Baptism—Lillian Violet Hunter.

Marriage—Alice Littlechild of McRae to August Gagne of Dunstable.

BEAVER RIVER

We were very glad to see some of our Beaver people down for the tea and sale on Dec. 8th. They renewed old acquaintances over a cup of tea and we understand they had a very enjoyable day.

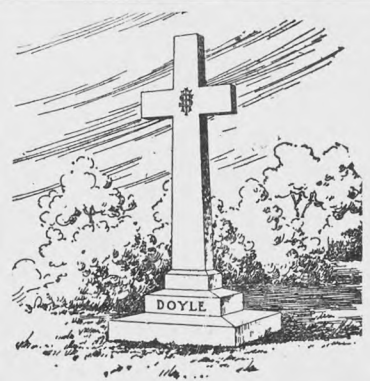
For some unknown reason only two turned up for service the last time we went to Beaver and as the school was cold the service was cancelled.

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We are glad to say the road to the Beaver has been improved with the addition of gravel and we hope the road will be kept open all winter to enable us to have regular services.

RIFE

We thank Mr. Corbett for having the Church warm for the last three services. We wish there were more attending to enjoy the heat.

We have missed Tustins from Bonnyville the last couple of services. We understand they have had car trouble and we hear Mrs. Tustin had the misfortune to fall and break her arm. It is hoped that she is on the way to recovery.

We also hope that Mrs. Thurston of Rife is recovered after her stay in hospital with pneumonia.

We were also glad to see some of our St. Paul and Edouardville folks down for the tea and thank them for their assistance.

ST. MARK'S, BLACKFOOT

The service on Dec. 2nd was well attended.

Our Dec. W.A. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. John Tingley in the country. Thanks to Mildred for taking us out. The Study book "Looking South" was introduced. Four members and four visitors were present.

The Sunday School has had thirty-seven on the roll this year.

Baptism—Dec. 2nd: Linda Dawn Lane.

ST. GEORGE'S, MARWAYNE

St. Andrew's Day Service was held at Irwinville Church with a corporate Communion of the three W.A. Branches—Clandonald and Marwayne. Rev. R. Cathcart preached an inspiring sermon based on the life of St. Andrew. Thanks to Irwinville branch who served a lovely lunch at the home of Mrs. Art Kent.

The Korean War and Japanese Missions seems closer to home, when we read of Archbishop Barfoot's visit overseas, especially when we see and recognise the familiar figure of the Primate as he confirms the Australian soldier in the group, which includes one from B.C. and two South Korean interpreters. (picture in Canadian Churchman).

Our W.A. Bazaar and sale of home produce on Dec. 1st was an outstanding success. The beautiful work displayed fine taste and variety with a background of Aprons and house dresses that took up the length of the hall. The steady flow of people for lunch was very gratifying to all concerned, the final results making the efforts of the few who worked so hard through the year—well worth the while. Thanks to all who helped and all who bought.

At the regular W.A. monthly meeting held Dec. 7th at the home of Mrs. Saltzberry, our Rector Mr. Cathcart conducted the Re-election en masse of officers for 1952 at this our Annual: with exception of Little Helpers Secretary. The Presi-

dent combining L.H. Reports and financial statement were satisfactory though it is keenly felt that our membership is so small: yet there permeates a sense of responsibility for parish and community work which was recognized clearly, especially when Rev. Cathcart read portions of the Archbishop's communication concerning the formation of a new field combining Irwinville, Marwayne, Kitscoty, Blackfoot and Streamstown when available. This is to be discussed in detail at a later Parishoners meeting but in the meantime all are urged to consider and think and pray for the future when there will be a Resident Priest to serve these points. That is urgent work for the parishes to consider and be on the look out for a suitable residence.

What about the Community? Mrs. Norcross brought to our notice the lack of proper supervision over the children at the Skating Rink resulting in some parents having to deprive their little ones of this social recreation time: after discussion of so many angles of this problem, it was fully approved that our W.A. should take the lead, by contacting the Civic Affairs Committee with an offer of \$25.00, approximately \$2.00 per week towards a sufficient salary to ensure a competent supervisor at all times when the rink is open to the young people. It is our earnest hope that the other Christian workers in this Community will recognize the welfare work that we believe comes within the scope of Social Service of our Churches.

WILBERFORCE

The Rev. R. C. Clennett

Church services have been held every two weeks, Thanksgiving service was held Oct. 21st, the vegetables and grain were very good this year, Holy Communion Service was held on Dec. 16th. Rev. Peake officiating in Wilberforce School Mr. D. Nash and Mr. A. Minter donated Hymn and Prayer books in memory of their wives, which were dedicated at this service, Children's Christmas party was held in the afternoon with Christmas tree, Santa to distribute gifts and candy bags which were supplied by the W.A. The children sang Christmas hymns and Little Helpers said their prayer, refreshments were served and everyone had a good time. St. Andrew's Day service was held at the home of Mrs. Myrtle Nash with 6 members present. Church services will be held in the homes. A very successful tea, bazaar and home cooking sale was held in the Minburn United Church basement on Dec. 1st, a considerable amount was cleared. Miss Isabel Milburn returned to the Anglican Women's training college for a second term.

Baptism—Dennis William Davies.

Burial—Baby Freda Darlene Kratky, in Minburn Cemetery.

ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, VEGREVILLE

The Rev. A. P. Venables

We are happy to have our choir back in their usual place once more and wel-

come Mrs. Mast and "Judy" to their number.

An immense amount of work by the ladies of the W.A. went into the annual Christmas bazaar this year, on Dec. 8th under the able guidance of our President, Mrs. F. Willan. All aprons save one we understand were sold, and the home cooking stall, to which so many kindly donated, was left quite bare! Tea was most attractively served by the younger members.

Mrs. Mary Medlund, life member of the W.A. and for years a faithful worker in our Parish passed to her rest quite recently. She is greatly missed and our sincere sympathy goes out to members of the family.

Services continue regularly at Soda Lake and Whitford on the 3rd Sundays, with good attendance.

ST. JOHN'S, KITSCOTY

The Dec. meeting of the W.A. was held on the 6th of December at the home of Mrs. Finlin. There was not much business this time and when this was dispensed with our hostess served a dainty lunch.

On Sunday the 16th we turned the Legion Hall into our Church for the day and had a Carol Service. The hall was crowded and the Choir came from Lloydminster. Everyone says the service was wonderful. Mr. Peckover is to be congratulated on the success of this service.

We in Kitscoty would like to wish all readers of the Churchman a happy, peaceful and prosperous New Year.

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Afternoon service was held each afternoon of Nov. 18th and Dec. 2nd by Rev. Clennett with a good attendance, and on Dec. 16th Holy Communion was held conducted by Rev. F. Teape, assisted by Rev. Clennett, but owing to very cold weather I am sorry to report a poor and discouraging turnout, we hope next time Rev. Teape visits us we will make a better effort to attend.

The card party the W.A. sponsored on Nov. 23rd was a good success. Another one was planned for Dec. 14th, but owing to cold weather it was postponed. The Annual W.A. meeting also St. Andrew's Day Service was held at the home of Mrs. R. H. Scott on Nov. 30th. The tea money was sent to A.W.T.C., Toronto, the service for St. Andrew's Day was led by Rev. R. Clennett. The Annual reports were given and approved. Our largest monetary contribution was given to the vestry to aid in meeting all the church obligations. Those members who have lost their W.A. pins are getting others. Our menu for lunch which was getting slightly out of bounds has been

restricted to a more sensible variety. We had an excellent attendance at this meeting with one new member for the coming year. Places of meetings were given out for the coming year. The same officers were re-elected for the coming term namely: president, Mrs. W. R. Jackson; vice president, Mrs. Wm. Assinihuk; Secretary Treasurer, Miss Helen Saint. Directors: Mrs. W. R. Cornish, Mrs. R. H. Scott and Mrs. D. Norman. Auditors: Mrs. H. Thomas and Mrs. Pat Cotler. Delegates to the Annual: Mrs. Pat Cotter and Mrs. Matt. McDonald. Delegates to the Deanery: Mrs. W. R. Jackson. Little Helpers Secretary, Mrs. D. Norman and Helper, Mrs. M. McDonald. Educational Secretary, Mrs. Pat Cotter. Churchman Correspondent: Mrs. Glen Coulter. A lovely lunch was served by our hostess and a pleasant social be enjoyed by all.

Chailey would like to take this opportunity to wish one and all a belated but Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A reminder also that your Churchman is due and the subscription envelope left on the collection plate would be appreciated.

ported that a considerable sum of money had been given to the rectory fund, besides some furnishings. The meeting voted to contribute to the A.W.C. The following were elected to office:—Mrs. C. T. Lally president; vice-president, Mrs. Griffiths and Mrs. Reynolds, treasurer; Mrs. Pigeon, U.T.O.; and E.C.D., Mrs. F. E. McLeod; Living Message, Mrs. Arkwright; Prayer Partner, Mrs. McQuarrie; Little Helpers, Mrs. Seabrook.

The Park Branch annual meeting was well attended, several new members were present. The group reported a successful year. Mrs. H. Karr was elected president, with Mrs. R. Donkin her assistant, Mrs. A. Still, Sec.-Treas; Mrs. J. Galipeau, educational secretary and Mrs. E. D. Lissimore, dorcas secretary.

On Sunday, Nov. 25th the rector dedicated a bishop's chair to the memory of

Rural Deanery of Wainwright

HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

The Rev. V. P. Cole

The Evening Branch of the W.A. held a very successful Autumn Tea on the first Sunday in November.

On Sunday, Nov. 4th a W.A. Corporate Communion was held at which time the new members were received and presented with their badges. The St. Andrew's Day devotions were conducted by the Vicar at 3:30 in the afternoon.

The Afternoon Branch of the W.A. held their annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 24th, and report that it was successful in every way.

We are pleased to see Mr. Porter back with us again after his trip to England.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Barden are having electric lights installed in the Church as a Memorial to the late Mr. W. Bellamy. The work is progressing very well, and it is hoped that by Sunday, Dec. 23rd, we will be able to say farewell to the old gas lights.

On Sunday, Dec. 2nd at the Morning Service three children were received into the Christian Family through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Elizabeth Ann Vergette of Ryley, Douglas Robert Goddard of Tofield, and Paul Kent O'Connell of Edmonton.

The Sunday School Christmas Party was held on Saturday, Dec. 15th. The singing of Carols, games lunch and the presentation of gifts followed in order. We were pleased to see so many mothers, also grandmothers present. A few children were sick and unable to attend the party but all were remembered.

On Sunday morning, Dec. 16th at the morning service the following Sunday School pupils received books for having the highest attendance during the past year Patricia Brown, Karen Kellicut and Billy Glover, Karen Kellicut, Margaret Goddard and Harold Eaglesham just missed once during the month of Oct.; while Jean Eaglesham, Patricia and Kenneth Brown and Billy Glover had perfect attendance. In Nov. Karen Kellicut, Jean Eaglesham, Patricia Brown, Kenneth Brown, Harold Eaglesham and Billy Glover had perfect attendance. Margaret Goddard missed one Sunday. The Crispin sisters Elizabeth, Joan and Margaret were unable to attend for a few weeks as their Dad (their faithful driver) was unfortunately ill in the University Hospital.

RODINO

On Nov. 17th a Frolic and Whist Drive were held in Rodino Hall. The prize winners were Mrs. D. Anderson and Mr. A. Beckett.

St. Andrew's Day Services were at the home of Mrs. Wm. Revill.

The first Church Service of the winter months was held at the home of Mrs. R. Vandervaate and the second at the home of Mrs. I. Daniel.

The W.A. meeting for the month of Dec. was attended at the home of Mrs. A. Winfield. All preparations being made for the festive season.

ST. THOMAS, WAINWRIGHT

The annual meetings of the two W.A.'s were held early in Dec. The St. Thomas Branch ended the year with good reports spiritually and materially. The branch re-

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horn. The chair of white oak is of simple yet dignified design. A brass plaque bearing the inscription "To the memory of Charles Henry Horn and Geraldine Horn given by their children" has been placed on the chair. The church was filled for the service and many of Charles Horn's friends from the Legion were present. We thank Elsie and Bill Horn for their thoughtfulness and ready co-operation in selecting a furnishing so valuable to the sanctuary.

The J.A. have been busy preparing for their Christmas party. The party takes the form of visiting a shut-in to share the giving of the season. This year the girls again visited their good friends the Wards. Mr. Ward Senior as usual was the fine host and Mrs. Ward prepared many good things to eat after the girls gave their program.

The sympathy of the parish goes to Mrs. Harley Senior, in her tragic be-

reavement in the loss of her son Eric, and grand-daughter Marian. The burial service took place in St. Thomas Church and was conducted by the Rev. W. D. Ellway of Edgerton of which parish the deceased were members. The rector assisted at the service.

The vestry meeting at the end of Nov. revealed that exactly one half of the rectory debt had been paid off, as the rectory was only purchased last July this is something of an achievement. We will start early in 1952 to pay back the loan of \$4,000.00 owing to the diocese.

Christmas services were well attended, with a record number of communicants. The carol service was considerably helped by the excellent singing of the choir. Much credit is due to Mr. Ford the choir master and Mrs. Watcher the organist who receive loyal co-operation from the choir members.

Rural Deanery of Wetaskiwin

CAMROSE

The Rev. C. F. W. Goddard

The children of St. Andrew's Sunday School with some of their friends presented in Dec. the operetta "The Magic Beanstalk." This musical telling of a children's story, in three acts, involved fifty children and a good deal of preparation. It was put on in the parish hall in Camrose and the community hall in Bittern Lake, on behalf of the respective Sunday Schools; and was much enjoyed. Mrs. Goddard and Mrs. McGill were in charge, with Mrs. R. Fullerton at the piano.

The Evening W.A. held their annual Christmas party in the parish hall with 42 in attendance. Mrs. Parsons represented Santa Claus to everyone's satisfaction. The Evening branch have held their annual meeting, the principal officers for 1952 being: President, Mrs. H. A. Taylor; Vice-President, Miss Gladys Nixon; Secretary, Mrs. B. M. Clarke; Treasurer, Mrs. R. B. Frankish; Educational Secretary, Mrs. F. J. Stewart; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. H. G. Howarth.

The vestry meetings have been changed in time from 8:00 to 7:30 p.m., with a program following for all men who care to attend. For the first time in the history of the parish, it is said, the vestry completed its business in an hour and a quarter, in order to have a very interesting hour afterward with Mr. Dick Fullerton who spoke to us and showed us excellent pictures of the iron mining project in the Labrador. For the January meeting we hope to have Mr. Maurice Broadfoot with tape-recordings made from his "ham" station reception of some of the Soviet propaganda broadcasts. On Sunday evenings at 8:30 we have a group which we hope to organize in January as a Chi-Rho Fellowship, and which has had some interesting programs. Mr. Bernie Clarke gave us a good talk

on the care of eyesight; Mr. R. H. Peacock of Canadian Superior Oil showed us fine pictures of oil exploration in Canada and the U.S., and let us in on a few facts of seismic lore; and we have had two lively discussions, on "Church Union" and "The Christian's Responsibility in Politics."

Our organ is taking shape gradually, with Mr. W. F. Grafton doing the lion's share of the work. This is a big project, and we're all very interested in it.

The Rector and Mrs. Goddard were surprised in a very pleasant way at the Willowdale Christmas service on Dec. 16th, when those present "showered" them with products of farm and kitchen as a Christmas gift—a very fine one indeed.

We welcome to the parish Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Plews, from Madison, Sask. They are living about seven miles east of town, but three of their children are enrolled in the Sunday school, and little Gordon was baptized last week.

KILLAM

A special service for Little Helpers was held in St. George's Church on Saturday, Dec. 8th at 3:00 p.m. The little ones entered heartily into the singing and with their mothers, enjoyed the service throughout. Their offertory-boxes were dedicated at the Altar. The total contents of these showed a marked increase over last year's effort. Mrs. McLachlan, Little Helper's Secretary entertained the children and parents at a party held in her home.

On Wednesday, Dec. 12th we were honoured in having a visit by the Archbishop for a Confirmation Service at 8:00 p.m. The Church was filled to capacity. A beautiful and memorably impressive Service enthralled both candidates and Congregation. Thirty candidates, many of whom were adults were presented.

After the Service, a Reception was held in the Co-operative Hall which was bright and gay with seasonable decorations. A Buffet lunch was provided and heartily enjoyed by everyone. All present expressed thanks to the Killam W.A. for this hospitable effort and to Mr. Ed Butcher and Mr. Don Vagt for their pleasing musical entertainment.

The Annual Meeting of the W.A. took place on Thursday, Dec. 13th at the home of Mrs. McLachlan with a large attendance of members at the conclusion of the ordinary business there was an election of officers. The president for the coming year is Mrs. Hugh Brodie whom we wish a happy and successful year of office. Mrs. E. Dammann succeeds Mrs. McLachlan as Little Helpers' Secretary.

The Confirmation of 29 candidates, 11 of whom are adults, by the Archbishop will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 12th at 8:00 p.m. in St. George's Church. This event is viewed with eager anticipation by the candidates, their relatives, and parishioners as a whole.

The W.A. ladies were responsible for the organization of a successful Bazaar, held in the Co-operative Hall on Saturday, Nov. 29th. We congratulate the ladies on the excellent results obtained.

With snow falling steadily throughout a Commemoration Service was held at the Cenotaph on Nov. 11th at 3:00 p.m., and later a large number of people were present in the Legion Hall for a Service conducted by the Rector. A feature of the Service was the whole-hearted singing of the congregation probably due to the lead given by an excellent Mixed Adult Choir.

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SEDGEWICK

A large attendance of W.A. members met at the Rectory on Dec. 11th for their Annual Meeting. The usual business concluded, the election of officers followed. The Rector thanked the retiring officers for their valuable and devoted work in the past year. Mrs. Edith Johnson was elected president and Mrs. Stuart Galletly re-elected secretary of the Little Helpers.

The W.A. ladies held a very successful Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 17th. It was very gratifying to see such a large attendance of buyers. All concerned felt that the efforts of the ladies had been amply rewarded by the results. They are deserving of every commendation for their zeal and enthusiasm.

On Wednesday, Nov. 21st at 8:00 p.m. the much-talked-of Social, the first of its kind, took place in the Parish Hall at Sedgewick. The object of the event was to provide an opportunity for the members of each of the four points of the Parish to meet, enjoy a pleasant evening of entertainment, and get to know each other better. A varied program had been arranged by the Rector. After an address of welcome, the proceedings commenced with Whist, and was followed by a musical program, songs services and humorous, a monologue and part-songs by a quintette from Killam. We feel very grateful to the various artists for their admirable contributions to the evening's entertainment. All present were unanimous in their desire that this venture should be repeated during the winter, holding the function at each point in turn. Every part of the Parish was well represented, about 100 in all being present.

Another Social Evening was held on Nov. 28th but for a very different reason. On this occasion, it was to honour two parishioners, Mrs. Kate Tanton and Mrs. A. Butt, ardent and zealous workers for the good of the Church, who were leaving us to take up residence in Edmonton. On behalf of the townspeople of Sedgewick, the Rev. E. Fowler made a presentation to each, of a purse of dollar bills. Each recipient made a suitable and feeling speech of thanks. Mrs. Kate Tanton also received a gift of a silver spoon from the W.I. as a token of their great regard for her and for her work in that organization. This was not the last, for Mr. W. W. Rose, on behalf of the Curling Club presented Mr. Alf Butt with a certificate of Life Membership.

St. Andrew's Day was marked by a Service of Prayer and Thanksgiving at 7:30 p.m. in St. John's Church. There was a good assembly of ladies from the W.A.'s of Sedgewick, Lougheed and Killam, but unfortunately the Hardisty ladies were unable to be present because of the icy condition of the roads. Following the Service, refreshments which were much enjoyed, were served by the Sedgewick ladies in the Parish Hall.

Baptisms—Nov. 16th: Mrs. Edith Maud Johnson; Darrell Grant Richard-

son; Gregory Robert Richardson. On Dec. 7th: Reginald Gary Meadus.

LOUGHEED

The Annual Meeting of the W.A. was held on Dec. 13th at the home of Mrs. Barthel, Senior. A very satisfactory year's work was reported and it was hoped that 1952 will maintain the progress made. At the election of officers Mrs. Barthel Senior was elected president, Mrs. Ed. Butcher continuing in the office of Treasurer.

W.A.—After a meeting of the ladies at the home of Mrs. Ned Butcher, where final arrangements were made for a Bazaar, this was duly opened at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 3rd by the Rector, a large crowd of people being present. A splendid array of very useful articles, representative of many hours of skilful work by the ladies, were laid out for purchase. A busy time for several hours brought a very pleasing financial reward, the ladies expressing satisfaction with the result of their efforts.

HARDISTY

W.A.—For so small a community, the ladies of the W.A. have every reason to feel satisfied with the results of their Bazaar held on Nov. 17th. This small band of willing helpers are deserving of the gratitude of all the parishioners of St. Mark's for their devoted work on its behalf.

The Church, and the Community, suffered a great loss in the death of Mr. Frank Matthews, an old-timer of the town, a devoted adherent of his church and a veteran of the South African War. To the bereaved widow and relatives we extend our deepest sympathy, and pray that God will comfort them in their sorrow.

A vestry meeting was held on Nov. 25th. Besides other business, it was decided that steps be taken to improve the lighting of the Church.

Burial—Francis Matthews, Nov. 16th.

IMMANUEL, WETASKIWIN

The Rev. F. E. Smith

Afternoon Branch W.A.—The annual Christmas bazaar and tea, was held recently in the Parish Hall. The hall was beautifully decorated by Mrs. Wm. Odell. The "Parcel Post" feature which proved quite popular was convened by Mrs. Barnett. Mrs. Palfrey, the convener of the Home Cooking Stall, was unfortunately taken ill the evening before the sale. However, the stall was in the capable hands of Mrs. Maggs and Mrs. W. Odell, and was sold out in record time. Mrs. Compton, Mrs. Janzen and Mrs. Owen were in charge of the "fancy work" and reported a very successful afternoon. Mrs. G. E. Gore convened the tea tables. In all it was a very worthwhile effort, with good support being received from the other churches.

The Parish Hall—The Parish Hall has taken a new lease of life. It has been given two coats of paint outside, and the interior is being completely renovated.

The ceiling has been lined with Ten-Test diamonds. The walls are being covered with Ten Test to within four feet of the floor, the lower part is being covered with ply board and fir base board. Water and sewer facilities are also being replaced and will soon be in service. The hall has been completely rewired, and eight very lovely lights, capable of holding three 150 watt bulbs have been installed. Our thanks to those who have worked so hard on this project.

White Gift Sunday—A special feature of the White Gift Sunday service, was the visit of the Ponoka Junior choir, under the direction of Mr. Walter Young. Their lovely singing was appreciated by a congregation which filled the church to capacity. The choir was afterwards

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entertained to luncheon in the Parish Hall. A large box of gifts were given into the care of the Primate, to distribute as he sees fit.

The Junior Auxiliary and the G.A.—Both groups are very active, and both had stalls at the Christmas Bazaar. The work displayed by the girls was much admired, and the financial returns were quite worthwhile.

Confirmation—The Archbishop of Edmonton attended Immanuel Church for the purpose of administering the sacred rite of Confirmation, upon seven young people, and five adults. Two ladies were received from another branch of the Holy Catholic church into the Anglican communion. A Memorial plaque was dedicated to four men of the parish who gave their lives in the last war. A Memorial Episcopal chair was dedicated to the men who served in both wars.

Dedication of Legion Colors—On Dec. 16th a Drum Head service and Dedication of the Kings Colors and the Branch colors was held in the Cinema Theatre. The service was conducted by the Branch Chaplain, the Rev. F. E. Smith; the service of dedication and the address were taken by The Most Rev. W. F. Barfoot, Croix de Guerre.

Every Member Canvass—Our sincere thanks to the gentlemen who carried out this canvass so efficiently.

ST. PAUL'S, LEDUC

Archdeacon C. F. A. Clough

Services were held on the second and fourth Sundays of the month and a St. Andrew's Service by Archdeacon Clough.

The organ purchased for the church has added greatly to the services. Donations to the organ fund will be greatly appreciated.

The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. N. R. Wilkinson with eight members and one visitor present. Mrs. Telford was welcomed to our group. The bazaar was a financial success. A donation is to be sent to the Anglican College. The devotional reading was given by Mrs. A. Knull. A group of members offered to decorate the Church for the Christmas Service. The W.A. offered to pay the Dec. payment on the organ. A gift was sent to Mrs. J. Grisdale. The money from the U.T.O. boxes was received. Archdeacon Clough addressed those present and later closed the meeting with the benediction. A kitchen shower was then held for Florence Wilkinson. The next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. E. O. Wilkinson.

Our thanks go to the Grisdale family who during their short stay in our parish have helped with the different church groups. We wish them well in their new home in Edmonton.

ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

The W.A. Annual Meeting was held at Mrs. M. Stewarts, Dec. 13th and notwithstanding the cold windy day, there was a very fair attendance.

Mrs. Baker thanked all members for their help and co-operation, and then asked for reports from the officers. The treasurer's report showed that all obligations had been met and there was a nice balance in the bank. Money had been raised through tea collections catering for a Kiwanis dinner and a travelling basket. Ten dollars was voted towards the Sunday School Christmas party, for which the teachers present expressed their appreciation.

All officers were re-elected, and after the adjournment of the meeting Mrs. Stewart served a delicious lunch.

An appreciative audience was present Saturday evening, Dec. 15th, to see and hear the Operetta put on by members of St. Andrew's Sunday School and other Camrose young people. In fact it was very much enjoyed. And on behalf of St. Dunstan's Sunday School the writer of these notes would like to thank all responsible for the entertainment, for so generously giving the proceeds to St. Dunstan's Sunday School. Thank you very much Camrose friends.

FORWARD IN 1952

"Carlyle in the Life of Frederick the Great speaks of these words put up at Cross Roads:

Others make roads for us,
We make roads for others,
Because Christ made a road for us all.

At the cross roads, on a plateau amongst the hills, we stand, grateful, triumphant for the journey so far accomplished, and the wonders which the way has so far revealed. We turn anew to the shining City on the horizon and face the Way ahead, prepared to carve it out, to get down on our knees, and give all that others too may have a road: and lo! before us we find the Way marked with footsteps that bleed, and as we kneel and marvel comes the triumphant assurance, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life;" "Lo, I am with you all the days;" "I go before you to Jerusalem." Who follows?—(Dorothy Maud).
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A NEW YEAR MEDITATION

What have we to expect? Anything. What have we to hope for? Everything. What have we to fear? Nothing. Ah yes. The only thing we have to fear is our own instability. We have nothing to fear for God's cause. Truth will prevail, the Kingdom will come, God's will be done, if not by us then by others.

HAVE YOU TRIED PRAYERS?

Throughout history men have found that prayer helps. That is why prayer persists. Useless ways are soon dropped. But prayer continues from age to age, because men have found in it faith, hope and courage. The first century is linked with the twentieth in prayers hallowed by long use. We are printing part of a lovely prayer attributed to St. Anselm, who was Archbishop of Canterbury in 1100 A.D.

ALTAR IN THE MIND

A versatile layman addressing a group of young people, spoke in personal testimony of how he found it helpful to go into the church when no one else was around and pray. He went on to tell how when he was travelling, he could in his imagination, call up a mental picture of the altar and thus he would pray as though he was actually kneeling before it in his parish.

The imagination is one of our finest gifts, and it can help us greatly in appreciating our religion. Some people are inclined to think that the imagination is used only to conjure up things that are not true, as we speak of "figments of the imagination;" yet the imagination can help us to picture things that are true. By the use of the imagination we can understand better the Gospel records of what our Lord did. We can glimpse Him walking with His disciples, and we can see Him healing the sick. The imagination can help us in thinking of Him as being a part of our everyday life; the unseen Companion at our meals, the unseen Listener to our every conversation.

As the Lord fed the multitudes years ago with the broken loaves, so we think of Him as feeding us with the Bread of Holy Communion. The devout imagination can help us to carry an altar in our mind, and wherever we are, we can, in our thoughts, worship Him whose altar it is, and whose people we are.

—William Paul Barnds

"Prayer and Praise for the purpose of reparation are more neglected than any other mode of worship"—Shirley C. Hughson in "Christ in God."

DIVINE WORSHIP

*Thou Whom invisibly we Worship,
Worship Thee, Unseen, with wondering eyes.*

*Spotless Virtue, Heavenly splendour;
Loves' Immortal Sacrifice;
Enthroned in shining glory—hailed
By Angels and Archangels singing
Praise, eternal in the Heavens;
Whilst we on earth our richest gifts are bringing.*

*Incense mingled with the Prayers of Saints,
Wreathed upon the wings of music's measure,
Transporting souls to realms beyond the skies;*

Enraptured with Joy, beyond all earthly pleasure.

*And at the last, behold Thee face to face
In adoration falling, lost in deep delight,
Our Faith fulfilled, earth's wounds are healed:*

The splendour of the dawn, as parts the night.

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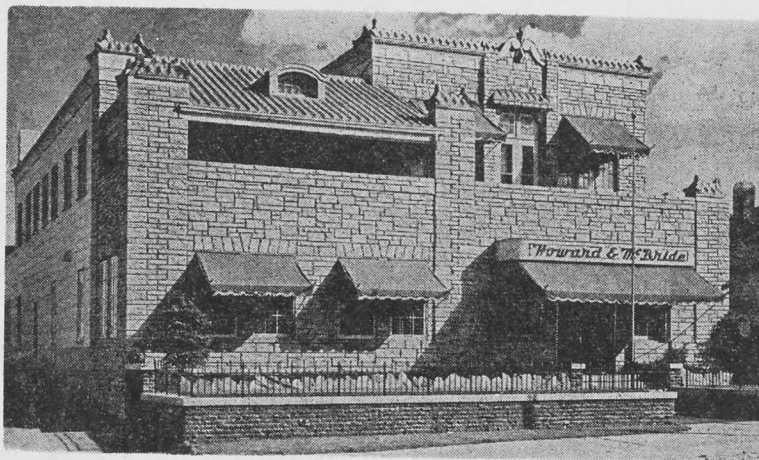
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